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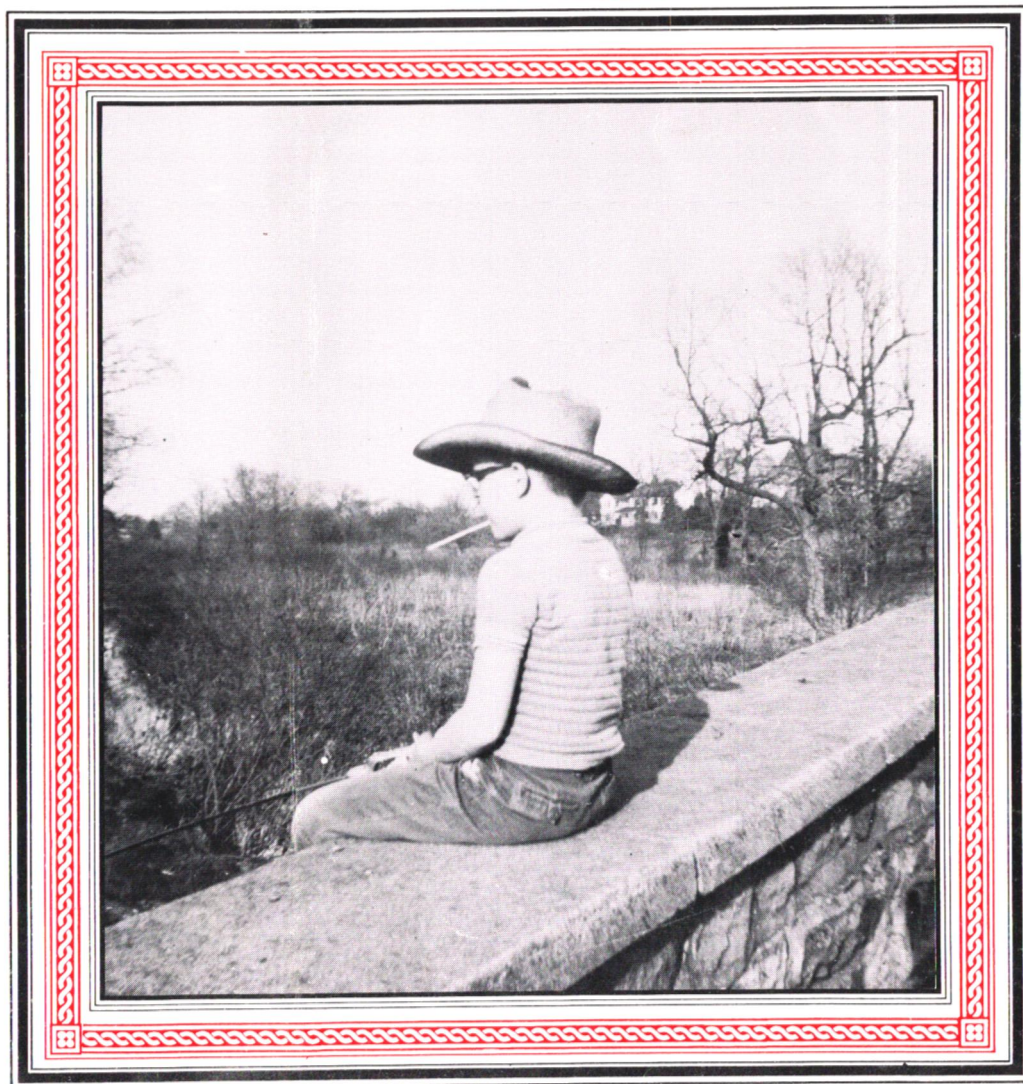


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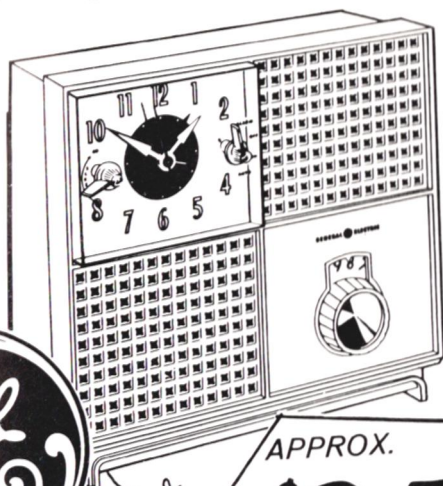
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OUR COVER

"A FISHIN' ROD"

There's somethin' 'bout a fishin' rod
seems mighty strange to me,
Jest like I'm a holdin'
a sort o' magic wand.
An' when I fix my reel an' line,
an' finish with a plug,
It seems that I have made a bond,
with ever-lastin' God.
Then, when I shove away my boat,
an' seek th' lilly pads,
Th' lak takes on a different tone,
an' turns a writin' pad.
An' there I see th' thoughts O' God
Writ deep, so's I kin read,
Thet all his things He made fer me,
Ef I but think, an' heed.

T. A. D.



This month's cover was photographed by Panorama Historical Editor Roy Kulp. He caught this shot of his son going fishing. It seems to reflect the words of a verse sent in by a Chalfont reader.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

THE GREAT DECEPTION

The Bucks County Republican Alliance, led by Alan O. Williams and District Attorney Paul R. Beckert, has set themselves up as "gods of good government", and unfortunately for good government, are dumping many well meaning persons into following them.

This so called "Crusade for Good Government" on which the Beckert-Williams group platform is based on is on very shakey ground.

First, what is the story of Alan Williams asking and receiving \$2300.00 of the now famous "Boyer Money" from Edward B. Boyer, to conduct his unsuccessful campaign for leadership in the state Young Republicans. How can he (Williams) accept "Boyer Money" with one hand and conduct a crusade against Boyer with the other? How can he testify under oath for Boyer one minute, and talk against him the next? This is most inconsistent and causes one to think twice about this "crusader Williams", who publically contradicts himself, whenever he feels it is to his own personal gain to do so. Obviously he must have been lying one time — either "under oath at the Bucks County Court House, or to his own "Alliance Crusaders". Is this the man to represent Bucks County?

Second - District Attorney Paul R. Beckert stated publically, (after a Panorama editorial questioned him) that he would be able to handle both his job as District Attorney and County Chairman with no conflict of interest.

Part of our district attorney's job is to enforce the laws.

At the present time, district attorneys and law enforcement officers all over the state are enforcing the state's "blue laws" concerning Sunday Sales. Has our own crusader Paul Beckert done anything about it in Bucks. Has he upheld the law? No! Several private investigators have, but not our DA. It would be bad politics for him to uphold the law this time, as it might cost him a few votes. Maybe next time he'll enforce the law, when it is more convenient — politically, who knows?

Perhaps Mr. Beckert is just "too busy" to enforce the law. After all he and all of the assistant district attorneys are out "politicking" every nite, and it is a little hard to keep up with all the work load.

Thus, as we see it, the "Alliance Crusade for Good Government" is being led by a man of indecision (richer by \$2300.00 of Boyer Money") and an elected official who cannot or just is not doing his job. These are natural qualities of leadership.

One further point to consider. Regardless of who is elected Republican County Chairman, he will have to work with Edward B. Boyer. Mr. Boyer is President of the County Commissioners, and an elective post, and will continue to do so for the next 21 months of his term. As President of the County Commissioners, the highest elective post within the county, Boyer not only controls the the party, but also the patronage as well. This is the privilege of the President of the County Commissioners, today, as it has been in the past. Thus it will either be a "Ziegler-Boyer" or a Beckert-Boyer" team in control after June, there's no other way.

The "Beckert-Williams Alliance" is leading a lot of innocent and uninformed followers down a path of deception. How long they remain deceived is up to only them.

"AND THEN I WROTE . . ."

James A. Michener, Bucks County's book writing congressional hopeful, recently stated in the daily press that he would confine campaigning to Bucks and Lehigh counties. This was announced the same day he appeared on a New York City radio program, at least 60 miles from the boundaries of Bucks and Lehigh Counties.

Some months ago we questioned Mr. Michener's sincerity in running for Congress, and suggested that perhaps his sole aim in running was to gain material for still another Bucks County Political book. This was scoffed at and denied by his followers. A recent issue of a national magazine, (The Saturday Evening Post) carried an article by Michener explaining why he was running for congress. Could this be the first chapter of a forthcoming book?

We feel that an election to high office, such as The Congress of The United States is very important and serious business — NOT something to be done for a few laughs by a wealthy writer as material for a book.

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LETTERS To The EDITOR

Michener

Dear Mr. Alliger,

I enjoyed your recent article about my candidacy. You made several witty comments. Unfortunately, there were also a few errors of fact, and I trust you will allow me to correct them, purely in the interest of having things straight.

You say I don't vote in Bucks County. I have voted here often and for a long time. In 1952 I voted for General Eisenhower.

You say I couldn't vote for Senator Kennedy. My wife and I were among the first in line in the Tinicum Elementary School.

You say I entered politics in the 1960 election in order to gain material for the writing of a book. I was very active in the first Hawaii state election. My goal in the 1960 campaign was the election of a President, and my man got in.

You say I have no experience. I was a teacher of American history and government in schools and colleges for many years. I was a very successful businessman in a national company that did about \$15,000,000 a year. I have had great experience in military matters. I have been described by some as an expert on affairs in Asia. And I have had experience fighting the communists in four different continents. As for political experience both President Eisenhower and President Kennedy appointed me to important national committees.

On one important point you were right. I was at one time registered in Hawaii. Because I believe that every citizen ought to register wherever he is, I have also been registered in Colorado, in Massachusetts and in New York. I have voted in all those places, and also in Guadalcanal.

Sincerely,
James A. Michener

Dear Sir:

Your gutter-aimed editor-

ial has convinced me that yours is not the publication I want to advertise for me.

I have stopped payment on my check and will forward that amount to Mr. Michener to use in the campaign.

Sincerely,

Walter Hoffman

Pipersville

ED. NOTE: This reader evidently only does business with persons who agree with him politically.

Dear Sir:

It seems to us that it is a very poor policy for a magazine to take an editorial stand in politics, which is the province of the newspapers.

But, if you are determined to take such a stand it is important that you get your facts straight.

Mr. Allen is a member of the Election Board in the Tinicum district of Tinicum township and he knows for positive fact that Mr. & Mrs. Michener voted in both the primary and general election in 1960 and 1961.

Sincerely,

(Mrs. King)

Eleanor G. Allen

Erwinna, Pa.

P. S. Do you always speak in a p-a-r-i-d-i-s-e-

ED. NOTE: We appreciate the many letters we receive regarding Mr. Michener's voting record, and as we stated last month, we regret the error. We do feel that it is important for a magazine as well as any newspaper, radio or TV station to take a stand, editorially, on subjects vital to the community. We feel just as strongly that views not in agreement with the editorial comment in this publication should also be published to show both viewpoints on the subject. We at the Panorama have always based our Editorial Comment on good government and a better community. We realize that not everyone will agree with us, and anyone who cares to, can write in his or her feelings on the subject and we will publish that letter as an expression of the viewpoint.

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Secretary Martin is out of the office for a short time and has directed me to acknowledge your letter of March 23 to which you attached a clipping of your article on **Traffic Route 23**.

I would say that your appraisal of this situation is interesting.

ED. NOTE: The above letter was received regarding the "Riverside or Suicide" article in the March issue of Panorama. In carefully reading Mr. Dougherty's letter we have perhaps found why nothing is being done by the state on River Road (**Route 32**). These boys in Harrisburg don't even know what road we are talking about, even after reading the article and the many letters. Oh well, I guess there are just too many "brothers-in-law" on the state payroll.

Dear Sir:

At our bi-monthly meeting, the Tohickon Lions Club discussed your recent article on Route 32, The River Road. Our club, which meets at The Gobblers in Point Pleasant, draws most of its members from the River Road area. The complete membership of the club is in agreement with your article, and looks forward to more articles bringing public attention to this road and its rather deplorable condition.

Sincerely,
Tohickon Lions Club
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Around Town



MORE AWARDS—Bucks County Playhouse producer and Panorama Columnist **MIKE ELLIS** has been named to "Who's Who?"

The Knights of the Golden Eagle of Doylestown held their 75th Anniversary on April 30th. Committee Chairman **GEORGE CARVER, JR.** reported a good time was had by all. **MARGE SHELLEY** was on hand to supply the music.

A NOTE from **KATIE FOSTER** tells us that she and all the gang that work in the toy store, visited New York for the big toy show last month. Sounds like they had a ball!

The National Science Foundation has awarded five scholarships to Central Bucks High School Science teachers. Those receiving the scholarships included: **JOHN A. BELL**, **ANN O. HESS**, **WILLIAM J. TREGASKIS**, **ROGER C. WILLIAMS** and **ROBERT F. RHODES**. Congratulations!

Magazine man, **HENRY FREKING**, has left the magazine publishing business and reports that he will just do a little writing. Of course, the "OLD TIMERS DAY" in Quakertown and about three dozen other "little projects" keep this "82 year old wonder man" busy. I hope I have half his pep when I am half his age.

With summer in the air, The **CHALFONT FIRE COMPANY** is working on plans for their annual carnival to be held July 31 through

August 4. **ED FUNK** is chairman of this event.

Three of the permanent members and one guest of Gallery 10 in New Hope have won honors in the 95th annual exhibition of the American Watercolor Society at the National Academy in New York. **ADOLF DEHN**, (whose joint Show with Virginia Dehn opens at the Gallery April 28 to run till May 25), won the Albert Dorne \$200 award. **AVEL DEKNIGHT** won the \$100 Grumbacher prize; **JACOB LANDAU** won an Honorable Mention and guest artist, **DONG KINGMAN**, won a \$200 American Watercolor Society award.

CHUCK READ, former local DJ has just been appointed Program Director at WTOA-FM in Trenton.

The **LENAGAZETTE**, Lenape Junior High School's newspaper, has received a second place rating from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association in their 38th annual contest.

CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE DEPT: We wish to congratulate the Daily Intelligencer on their improved Saturday newspaper. A Saturday edition of any daily paper is always a "light" paper and tends to offer little to the reader. However, the boys at Printers Alley have solved that problem by packing the Saturday edition with many interesting feature articles. Keep up the good work!



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CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. & Mrs. R. SCHUMACHER, formerly of Plumsteadville, and now of Arlington, Va., on the recent birth of a son.

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A "Little Girls Fashion Show" and sale will be held on Saturday, May 19th at George School in Newtown. It will be held for the benefit of the United Nations Children's Fund.

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HERMAN BISHOP, a member of the Central Bucks High School chapter, Future Farmers of America, was elected Sentinel of the Bux-Le-Mont Future Farmers of America at the annual spring meeting held recently.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. NICHOLAS POWER on their 25th wedding anniversary.

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HOLBERT'S GARAGE in Warrington will hold an "Open House" on Saturday, May 5. One of the highlights will be the complete assembly of a Volkswagen sedan while you watch. Should be interesting.

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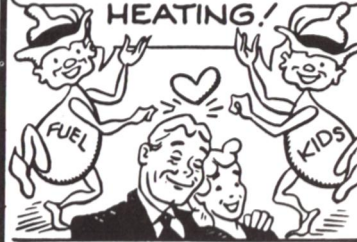
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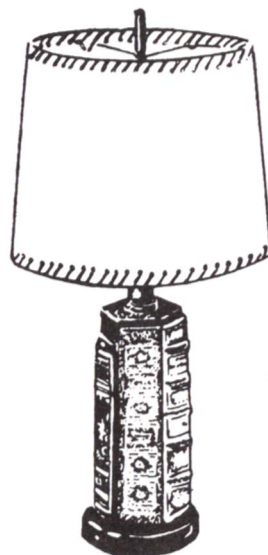
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ROUTE 32 PROGRESS REPORT

by
ROGER CONDUIT

In the March Panorama, I reported on the dangerous condition of Route 32. I attempted to relay to the responsible parties, namely the state highway department, and the Delaware Valley Protective Assoc. that something must be done to make this summer tourist mecca drivable before the tourist season commenced in earnest. Now, here it is May, the tourist parade is right around the corner; and what has been done to improve this disastrous situation?

NOTHING!

In fact, if the truth were to be known, the road conditions have gotten worse. The spring thaw has set in and the road is buckling in places. Pot holes are forming and those that already were there are getting bigger.

The shoulders which support the "rotted" guard rails are even more undermined. Consequently those that were standing upright are now leaning and the guide cables are slack.

The edges of the road are breaking away. Places where the road was narrow back in March are even more narrow now. It is virtually impossible for two cars to pass at the same time.

To say the least, a person can not drive the River Rd. and enjoy the famed scenery. And yet, that is just what the visitor to Bucks County is being asked to do. He is being invited to a section of country which abounds in scenic splendor, invited to visit the parks, invited to fish in the streams and invited to browse through the shops. But, to accept this invitation, The visitor must travel a highway which is no better than a backwoods dirt road.

We were told by a state representative that the money to repair this roadway is available. In fact, the necessary funds have always been

available. We were told that the reason the roadway is not repaired is because of "public opposition" to the state plans. The public opposition coming primarily from the Delaware Valley Protective Association, a group known for protecting the scenic beauty of the Delaware Valley.

A representative of the D.V.P.A. told us that they do recognize the need to repair the River Rd. In fact, they have gone to much trouble to draw up plans and make proposals.

Irony isn't it? Two groups with the same ultimate goal are unable to come up with a single answer.

Why? Because, the state refuses to accept the D.V.P.A. position that the scenic landscape must be preserved and the historic Delaware Canal must be kept in tact. Because the D.V.P.A. refuses to accept that the roadway must be repaired in such a way that it will be adequate to serve all future needs of the motoring public.

With the March article, the publication seems to have gotten in the middle of the controversy. We asked you, the motoring public, what you wanted. A synopsis of your answers indicate a "middle of the road" approach. You want safe, two lane, limited access highway which maintains as much of the present landscape as possible. You want the canal, and you are willing to "give up" enough of the hillside and palisades to make the road "two car wide". You are willing to travel at a "lower speed limit" in order to make your requests feasible. In plain words, you are willing to give a little and take a little. Above all, you want Route 32 made safe to drive and you do not want anymore time wasted in doing it.

Now, let's see how long it will be before something constructive is done. . . .



Rambling with Russ

by **A. RUSSELL THOMAS**

BUDDY POPPY TIME: The small red flower of Flanders Field has become a yearly reminder of the obligations we owe those who made such great sacrifices on world-wide battlefields. Right now, Bucks Countians and others throughout the country, should not hesitate to have the traditional red poppy pinned on the coat lapel.

Each year, for more than 42 years, members of the Veterans of Foreign wars and its Ladies Auxiliary have gone forth upon the streets of America to offer a generous public this symbolic flower of remembrance. Wear a Buddy Poppy each year and wear it proudly, for you have the assurance that your dimes and quarters will be used only to serve the nation's veterans.

More than 10,000 disabled veterans, who have known no other home than a VA hospital ward for more than 20 years, will greatly appreciate the meaning of the Buddy Poppy. Already this year, more than 12 million Buddy Poppies have been assembled in VA hospitals by these disabled veterans who are paid a nominal wage for their labor.

Here in Doylestown and elsewhere in Bucks county the VFW posts have an ample supply of Buddy Poppies. For many years the proceeds of the annual Buddy Poppy sale have been used for the following purposes: (1) To support the VFW National Home; (2) to aid in processing VA claims; (3) to entertain veterans confined in VA hospitals; (4) to help families of needy veterans; (5) to provide expense of military funerals for veterans; (6) to decorate the graves of veterans.

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MEMORIAL DAY 33 Years Ago In Doylestown: The annual Decoration Day parade wound up with the planting of a memorial tree in the Doylestown Cemetery in memory of Erwin Pearson, with the dedicatory address given by Dr. Jesse Penney Martin, pastor of the Forest Grove Presbyterian Church. Two remaining Civil War veterans took part in that parade—Dr. J. H. Bishop and Moses Bothers. At the cemetery, Herbert Knorr played the roll of the drum for departed members after Charlie McIntyre called the roll. Adjutant Thawley Hayman of the Atkinson Post of the American Legion called off the names of the deceased World War I veterans. A firing squad from Company D took part in the ceremony. Comrades Russell B. Gulick, Arthur Leatherman and Past American Legion Post Commander Charlie Hart sounded taps.

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MEMORIAL DAY afternoon, 33 years ago, harness racing fans saw the fastest half-mile ever paced on the Doylestown Fair track. A crowd of 2,500 saw Theodore Gentry, by Colonel Gentry, owned and driven by James Flory, of Bryn Mawr, go the last half-mile of the first heat of the free-for-all event in 1.02½, competing with Skeeter W., from the Yelland Stables in Frankford, and Al B., a Village Farm entry from Langhorne. By quarters, the winner was clocked in .32; 1.06; 1.38 and 2.08½.

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THAT SAME DAY 33 years ago, Connie McEntee, then

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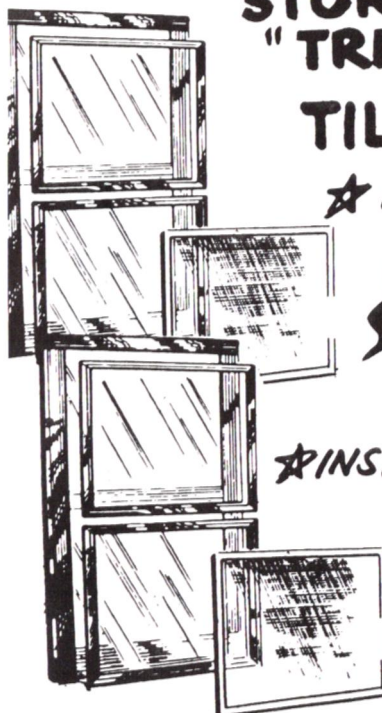
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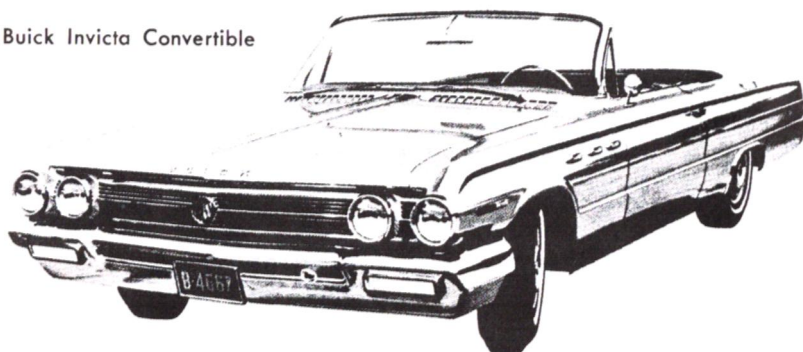


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brugger's bucks



by Bob Brugger

We know a Madison Avenue man who recently moved out of the County back to his native New York. Time was when this sort of thing could have started a real estate panic; now it's just called the **Bucks County Five Year Plan** . . . that being the average time it takes for the less hearty of the city breed to be finally defeated by pot-holes, crab-grass, week-end house guest and commuting.

Another friend, who does the five-day-a-week trick, Bucks to Wall Street, conservatively figures that he's lost a full two years out of his life, coming and going. It seems a precious price to pay for the privilege of coming home to 180 acres, tennis courts, horses, a private pool and a house full of kids screaming to be taken to the Saturday matinee in Doylestown because "there ain't nuttin' to do around here".

In a lifetime of dedicated provincialism, I have tried to analyze why they come . . . and why they go. There were rumors of war when the first station wagon appeared on the Bucks horizon out of New York. The Holland Tunnel led down through the catacombs of Jersey to the most beautiful air-raid shelter in the East: Bucks County, U. S. A. That was one reason they came . . . back in the 'Thirties. And if that was pre-war, it was pre-tax assessor, too, and a farmer's "north forty" could be bought for a song, or even less than a song, if the new gentleman farmer, as he very often did, happened to work Tin Pan Alley.

No one really remembers what happened in the County during the war years, except the megalomaniacs who worked on the rationing boards. (Fortunately, for civilization, their moment of truth came with the truce.) But suddenly, the war was over and Bucks County awakened to find that Hinnerschnitz no longer lived up on the old Hinnerschnitz place! Hinnerschnitz had sold out and gone to work for the steel, and a County had quietly become populated with people who weren't then . . . and never had been . . . named Moyer. (I remember a New York lad who joined our class at Pipersville. His given-name, of all things, was Stirling. This being neither Old nor New Testament, and consequently no name at all, we just referred to him as him.)

The post-war exodus, Bloomingdale's to Blooming Glen, started with the lifting of gas rationing. Bucks County farmers, New Yorkers once removed, were besieged overnight (and over week-end, too) by the very New York friends they had come to the County to get away from in the first place. (In this matter, at least, the war seemed to have been an excuse. As it turns out, the problem of stockpiling had more to do with VO bottles than V2 bombs.)

Once the week-enders found that their country friends' Bucks County kitchens were completely authenticated period pieces, rooms to walk through on a Saturday night on the way out to dinner at local inns (where they, the week-enders, invariably picked up the tab), they started scrounging for themselves. This brought on the second crop of city folk. By 1950, New Yorkers were passing New Yorkers on the Lambertville bridge, each shouting in opposite directions: GO BACK!

The cycle continues. They come; they go. The disenchanting return to mid-city apartments high in the sky but not quite as high as what the neighbor kid charged for mowing the lawns when he got around to 'em. They've had it: township supervisors, PTA, zoning, the bit. They've learned the expensive mathematics of living down on the farm where

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TRAVEL CORNER

by Ye olde Editor

We should call this corner, "The off to see the world Department." At this time of year, as persons from all over the world prepare to "invade" Bucks County as tourists, the residents of Bucks plan their exodus for the "annual two weeks with pay". Folks find they appreciate Bucks County even more after a short stay in another part of the country.

In Panorama, you will note many travel advertisements, all of which we vouch for, as we have checked out each hotel or cruise personally.

One of the most delightful vacation trips we have taken in many a year, was the combination Florida-Nassau trip made last January.

A 2½ day drive south on Route 301 and 1, brought us to Pompano Beach, Florida, one of the most beautiful vacation spots in the U. S. Located on Florida's East Coast, it is convenient to Palm Beach (in case you want to visit JFK), Miami and Ft. Lauderdale. We stayed at the famous Lighthouse Cove Apartment Motel, where we had a large apartment overlooking a wide sandy beach and the ocean. Host Bill Baldwin, at the Lighthouse Cove, goes out of his way to insure each guests every wish is taken care of. Should you tire of the surf, there is a large pool, and a most relaxed atmosphere. Swimming, sun bathing, fishing, boating, and side trips to the many interesting local points made our stay at The Lighthouse Cove seem all too short.

To "cap off" this wonderful two weeks, we drove to Miami

Beach and boarded the P. & O. Steamship Company's ship, The "SS Florida" for a three day cruise to Nassau. Always having been one who thought that cruises were for the idle rich, we were pleasantly surprised to find that The P. & O. Steamship Company offers these 3 day all-expense cruises for as little as \$54. That includes some of the finest meals you've ever eaten.

Arriving on board ship at 4:45 in the afternoon, (we nearly missed it), we watched the ship depart from Miami, then went to feast on a dinner of Prime Ribs. A "get acquainted" party was held that nite, and as dawn broke, we pulled into the picture book harbor at Nassau in the Bahamas. To describe our stay in Nassau would take this entire magazine. We'll just state that we want to go back again, it was so wonderful.

After two days and one night, we regretfully climbed aboard ship to make the overnight journey back to Miami, and then the drive back to Bucks County.

There are many "bargain opportunities" in travel, but we feel that the P. & O. Steamship Company's Miami-Nassau Cruise for \$54 should head the list.

Information on both the Lighthouse Cove in Pompano Beach, Fla. and the Miami-Nassau Cruise may be had by writing direct to the company (Their addresses are in their advertisements elsewhere in this issue), or by contacting your local travel agent.

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A Special Report

On the following two pages, Panorama begins a series of articles on Communism in Bucks County, entitled "Bucks County—Red Satellite?"

The first installment in this issue gives a historical narrative of subversion in past local history, to set the scene for articles to follow. Future installments will deal with the underground activities conducted in the open here in our Bucks County, secret meetings, and persons and personalities involved in the Communist movement. Many aspects of the "Red Menace" here in Bucks will be discussed frankly.

Panorama wishes to state publicly that we do not intend to start a "McCarthy style witch hunt", nor do we suggest that a John Birch Society branch be opened in Bucks. We do feel that much information about Communism should be brought to the attention of the public in order that they may be fully aware of the situation as it exists.

—THE EDITOR

COMMUNISM IN BUCKS COUNTY!

PART 1

The Past is Prologue

To the Constitution of the United States, to the offices provided for therein, and to the overwhelming number of Bucks Countians who are first class citizens, this account is dedicated with respect.

Closer, closer, closer. All the while, faintly uneasy Bucks Countians are assured that all is well, do not wake the town watch. Yet mere missile minutes away, USSR computers in silent banks stand ready to tape the programs for rocket brains which would split the County's fair skies open with the shrieking crack of doom.

Less than 100 miles from the reader, USSR submarines and "trawlers" prowl the Atlantic in relentless missions, zeroing in missiles, charting the costal floor for nuclear mines, and engaging in electronic espionage.

Closer, closer. The Russian Ambassador accepts an invitation for Khrushchev to visit near New Hope. This is not espionage, the firm only wants to sell its products, dachas, to the superior officers of the Soviet Union. But a Lambertville newspaper runs a courageous protest with black borders, and the visit is cancelled.

Wives and children of those County Communist leaders who were named by FBI counter-agents in testimony before the Internal Security Subcommittee take a prominent part in peace picketing in Philadelphia and elsewhere. The ladies in the legitimate movements picket the White House, the handsome President peers at them. The Embassy of the Soviet Union is not picketed, the ladies are invited inside with fluttering hearts, and are politely but firmly told "nyet" to disarmament. Finally petitions of suspect movements are circulated with the same stale old names of red-fronters upon them,

and "peace" circulars mysteriously turn up in lockers at public schools.

Cuban army leaders who have fled the country after serving with Castro tell the Senate in sworn testimony that three clusters of concrete rocket installations have been built in Cuba.

The State Department solemnly assures the nation that Cuba is almost sinking under the weight of Soviet conventional arms, and of course dear friends, the accompanying "technicians." But no rockets are said to have been delivered—yet.

Meanwhile back in Lower Bucks County, where Linus Pauling denounced America as arming again and again a few weeks ago, we drop in to the same old Meeting House grounds, September 1960. There stands Richard C. Gibson, former CBS news writer, Spokesman for the national Fair Play for Cuba Committee; he is recruiting members. Behind him, fixed to a tree, the Flag of the 26th of July Revolution is spread for the first time in America above the American Revolutionary soil. The applicants are many. The booth buzzes with comradely chatter from points of the Eastern seaboard. The advance forces have arrived. What an honor for Bucks County!

Later the FPCC did not come off so well before the Senate Subcommittee, and the honor is a dubious one for the Penn. Center. The FPCC president has fled to Cuba with \$25,000 of dupes' money and is wounded at the Bay of Pigs battle. Fifth Amendment Communists are revealed to have quietly occupied key positions. It has lied about some of its financing which is traced to secret Cuban Treasury funds. It complains that the FBI entered its office demanding the whereabouts of a notorious Communist agitator who has engaged in the distribution of large quantities of surplus military arms in our South, and publicly urging their use by American against American.

We leave Gibson standing beside a U. S. retired general who has been denouncing his own country's military system for over a dozen years, but so far has not been muzzled.

BUCKS COUNTY-- RED SATELLITE?



We proceed to a nearby Falls public school building. There, a "Peace Play" is under way to a large audience. It is replete with foul-mouth, uncouth "American Generals," and sinister civil-military officials. Part of the world, and ALL of America is destroyed by satellite bombs in a war in which the Soviet has marked superiority. The climax is Wagnerian, children are impressed. The adults smile.

President John F. Kennedy's recent dictum that "The key to the future is enlightenment and education is most appropriate and fitting."

If the enlightenment is on the subject of espionage, which Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy recently redefined as a clear and present danger facing the nation, then, friends and neighbors, Bucks County takes second place to no place from the earliest times. Let us defy the late Anna Pauker and look at our history.

The measure of failure in spying during the time of the Red Man was a dead Indian, which is to say that there were no live failures walking around. However, after a certain amount of skulking in the underbrush, embarrassing arrow hits, and a brisk stone club or two on the noggin after dark, the Iroquois subjugated the local Lenape tribe, who were promptly dubbed "The Old Women."

The Indian situation having been stabilized, the unemployed Red Scouts hired out to the Swedes, the Dutch, the English, and even the French who were all at one time spying like mad on each other for fur-poaching and geopolitical reasons.

William Penn arrived and staked himself out a small place of 8,431 acres on the Delaware under the Proprietary Charter signed by Charles II. In sixteen years he spent only a brief time there, due mainly to the fact he had to keep an eye on a lot of other people. This wasn't an intelligence operation, but he did have his friends in the right places.

It is too bad they didn't keep a better eye on his son who was pleasure bent and shot up a tavern or two in what was, to say the least, mixed company. After he stomped on the town watch,

records show he was repatriated by popular demand, a practice not unfamiliar to the authorities today.

Next, John Penn, while having a cool tankard of water or two down by the riverside, conjured up a little grab facetiously known as the Walking Purchase. Known to the settlers, that is. The Indians are reputed to have had a number of other names for it which have no place in a family magazine.

The "Purchase" involved a "walk" of sixty five miles in one day by Edward Marshall from Wrightstown to Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe). Which territory was claimed by Penn on the basis of a deed which is said never to have been shown. The livelier traditions which have survived in histories, despite a century of hushing, have it that the trick involved hidden relays of horses and secret, ready-cut trails.

Some very earnest spying commenced now, and despite disclaimers of "political charges" of certain interested parties at the time, the chain of events set into motion by the enraging of the Indians, led inevitably to the horrible Wyoming Valley Massacre.

Poor Marshall was one of the worst victims. Histories have it that the Indians pursued him inexorably until they murdered his wife and child. He then turned into the County's first authentic Red Hunter and is described as killing Indians from unlikely hiding places for the rest of his days. He also spent considerable time dunning Penn and his friends for his agreed fee for the "Purchase." They are reported as never having paid him.

The onset of the American Revolution set the very devil loose in the County. The Doan gang fought and spied for the King's forces in various forays, and delighted in having innkeepers dance on hot iron barefooted, while they tousled their daughters. There is even a story that they showed fine impartiality and took on some of the King's men when drunk enough. A Doan is credited with causing Washington's defeat on Long Island, and later coming within an ace of destroying the American nation as it is known today.

According to a story formally authenticated by a Governor of New Jersey, but heartily denied in Bucks County, this particular Doan slipped into Coryell's Ferry (New Hope) right under the nose of the town's officer in charge of defense. You may have heard of this officer. His name was Benedict Arnold. From his own observations, and from some source, which it would be fascinating to have explained, Doan obtained the information that Washington was to march on Trenton. Slipping through the sentries, he spent the night in a cave on the hill at Robinson's Ferry (Centre Bridge).

Racing to Trenton ahead of the ragged Continentals, he tried to see Colonel Rall, the German mercenaries' commander. No one has ever been too specific about what Rall was doing Christmas night. One tale is that he had taken too much punch, another is that he was in close conference with the Postmaster's wife. She was spying for the Americans, of course!

Frustrated, Doan had a note delivered to Rall he never opened. It is supposed to have been found in his weskit pocket after he died. The text? "Take care Washington is a'comin on you down the river." If the Governor was correct, and the County hush-hush circuit covering up as usual, this was a supreme moment in the nation's history, where only an almost providential interposition could have saved the night.

Meanwhile, Washington had HIS spy Honeyman out, and found out it was a good hour to move on Trenton. Honeyman was a problem. His countrymen patriots kept wanting to hang him because they thought he was a British spy. It was sometime after the War before he and Washington could get this straightened out.

Alger Hiss, the man most likely to succeed Benedict Arnold, strode along the same streets of New Hope 160 years later, in the midst of his underground activities. Of this, more later in this series.

Histories show that the Solebury militia company voted not to turn out before

"I represent a party which does not yet exist: the party of revolution, civilization
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There will issue from it first the United States of Europe, then the United States of the World."

—Prophecy in Autograph on the wall of the room in which died Victor Hugo, Place Des Vosges, Paris, 1885

"First we will take eastern Europe, then the masses of Asia, then we will encircle the United States, which will be the last bastion of capitalism. We will not have to attack. It will fall like an overripe fruit into our hands."—Lenin, 1923, Collected Works, X. 172

"Bucks County is our satellite in America."—J. Peters, Communist Spy Chief to a Red front gathering in Carversville, 1946

"Castro is not a Communist and his is not a Communist government . . ." —Richard Gibson, Fair Play for Cuba Committee, The "Peace Fair," Penn Center, Fallsington, 1960, Underneath the Flag of the 26th July Revolution

"I am a Marxist-Leninist. . . ." —Dr. Fidel Castro, Havana, 1961

"Tonight the government announced that Cuban agents are entering United States Ports, and slipping into the country carrying large quantities of smuggled heroin narcotics from Communist China with the intention of weakening the U. S. by introducing cheap drug addiction." —American Radio Network Dispatch, 13 April 1962

Antiquing In Bucks County

by Margaret Warner

On any summer day (but *never* on Sunday!) cars are parked around antique-selling spots in Bucks County like bees around nectar. And not only in summer but in spring and fall, and on mellow days in winter, you'll find swarms of young and old buying anything from a pressed glass pitcher to a Pembroke table.

For many people Bucks County is synonymous with antiques. On the by-ways as well as on the highways you'll find them. You'll find them on porches, in yards, in barns, in Victorian homes, in colonial houses, and in old mansions. You'll find them in the middle of, in back of, below, or perhaps discreetly out of sight of, any sign on which the single word "Antiques" is painted.

What is this thing which is so easily called an antique and which exists in such profusion

in Bucks County? It might be said that an antique, like beauty, is in the eye of the beholder. Some collectors like their antiques legally so: the Government says that articles manufactured prior to 1830 are antiques and may enter the United States tariff free. (If President Kennedy has his way with abolishing tariffs, even that landmark of antiquity may be dissolved.) Some like Centennials as those of the Civil War period are now called. Some like anything that is found by rummaging around in a dishevelled collection.

It's safe to say that Bucks County itself supplies very few of the antiques sold in its shops. And why doesn't it? There are plenty of auctions, you'll say. That's true, but it takes a canny buyer to know the real from the valueless, as many auctions are padded with wares from dealers

who are unable to rid themselves of their products in any other way.

Of course there are still old houses in the county which are filled with authentic furniture and sometimes whole households are put on sale at auctions so that those who know what they're after can find articles of real worth.

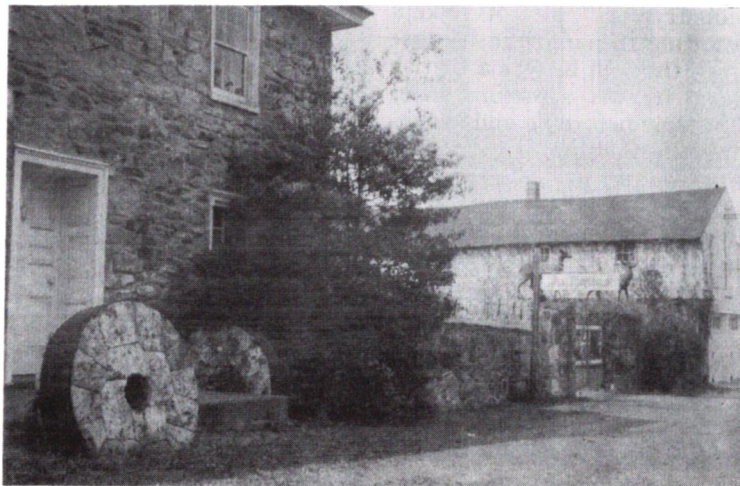
And there are attics in homes and lofts in barns with generations of furniture stored in them. Many of these are now being contacted by "runners" who scout out these antiques.

Well it is, too, that this is the practice today, as many a precious piece of good craftsmanship from the past has been unwittingly destroyed. A Bucks County resident of many years said that he and his family moved up here from Germantown when he was ten years old. Whenever his father would go into town with a truckful of produce from the farm, he would return loaded with furniture and items which his aunts and uncles wanted to store. They were sentimentally attached to them as their great-grandparents had brought them over from England, but they themselves wanted the newer, more up-to-date pieces in their homes. Some years ago this resident, now the owner of his father's farm, decided to clean out his barn and burned all the picture frames. In view of today's prices he says that he probably burned up a fortune.

It's said that in New Hope years ago people used to welcome floods on the Delaware River because it gave them an opportunity to open their attic windows and rid themselves of all their old furniture that they didn't know how to dispose of in any other way.

One person changed that. In 1935 the first antique shop was opened in Buckingham because it was the depression, because a woman had two children whom she wanted to see educated, and because this woman loved antiques. She used to go to auctions when no one who was anyone went to auctions. What she carried away was "junk", even in the eyes of the auctioneers. When her home became filled with a surplus of antiques, she took the store across the street from her home and stocked it with the overflow. Out-of-county visitors came in to pay good money for these antiques she loved.

However, local people still considered her the "woman who bought old junk," and she had no trouble finding attics brimmed full of treasures, as every one was seeking her to get rid of useless old articles. Once she found a magnificent old maple canopy bed pushed away under the eaves in an attic. The owner didn't think she'd want it because it was wood and a "bed-bug breeder." On another occasion in an old home she found a quantity of pewter vases, jugs and plates



all polished to a soft glow, in the old way, with ashes from the fireplace. The woman who sold her this beautiful ware said with a shrug, "Well, maybe you can melt them down to make bullets."

Once this first shop was launched others followed, one by one.

Not long after her neighbor had opened up shop, Edna Wehmeyer found herself in the antique business in the 200-year-old General Greene Inn which her parents owned. One day a couple stopped for lunch and asked Mrs. Wehmeyer if she had ever seen any glass mugs with monkeys on them. They told her that if she ever did see any, they'd pay her a dollar a piece for them. In those days a dollar was a dollar and she began looking.

The first auction she attended yielded nothing. She arrived late, stood at the back of the crowd and the auctioneer didn't hear her when she bid for a piece of glassware.

"You'll have to holler louder than that," a bystander told her, "if you ever want to get anything at an auction."

The next time she went she got right up under the auctioneer's stand and decided upon a set of dishes with the initial "W" on them and the price she'd pay for them.

"Twelve dollars!" she called out.

"Fifteen!" the auctioneer said.

"Twelve!" Mrs. Wehmeyer repeated loudly.

This dialogue continued until the auctioneer stopped and said, "Young lady, I have to go forwards. I can't go backwards!"

It was a long time after that before she would venture back to an auction, but back she did go and became a veteran, though she doesn't go any more.

She never did find a glass with a monkey on it, but she did set up her antique shop adjoining the Inn and carried a full range of antique items. During the war she sold furniture of all kinds to B. Altman and Company in New York, taking up two truckfuls a week.

Where does she get her antiques today?

This fall she made her first trip to Europe to buy for her shop. She visited the Flea Market in Paris and brought back among other things a delft

piece of porcelain showing a mother with her child, some copper bed warmers, and the only occupational shaving mug in the Market, which shows a sawmill operator at his mill and which was suddenly much in demand after Mrs. Wehmeyer had purchased it. She also bought a life-sized pair of matched iron cows' heads, a very unusual find.

In England she visited several markets where the dealers display their merchandise on tables, like an antique show. Here she bought some old tables, a copper lustre pink-school design jug, an old tavern sign with the inscription "Whitbread 1742" over a deer's head on a stein, and many old Staffordshire pot lids, which collectors either frame for the wall, or set in little stands for decoration on tables.

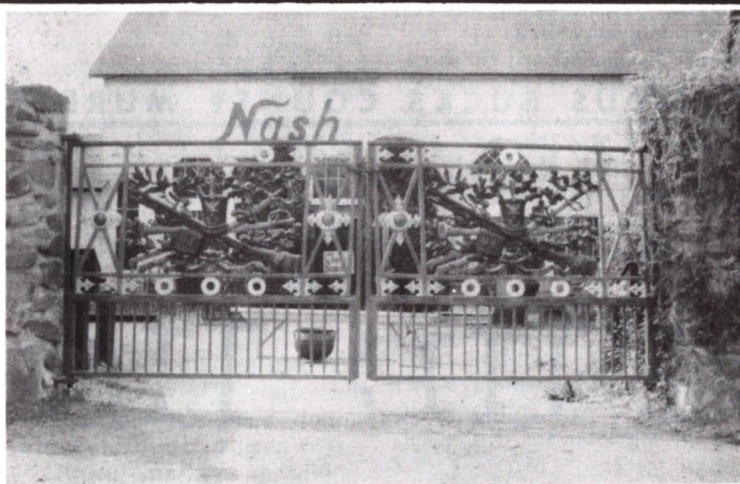
She buys locally, too, from "runners" and from private sources. From an old home in Princeton, New Jersey, she found a complete set for twelve of gold and white Parisware china, including a tea set and two cake plates. She has more glassware than she has ever counted. One shelf alone near the doorway of her shop contains 120 old glass goblets in the familiar pressed glass patterns: Buckle, Thumb Print, Baby Etched, Saw Tooth, Paddle Cane, Loop and Red Palm.

On the porch she has a collection of orange Carnival Glass, which one either likes or dislikes. Some collectors have over a thousand pieces. She has one customer, a husky automobile dealer who collects this glassware as a hobby and will become quite excited about a bowl or vase when he finds the right one, while his wife stands by indifferent.

Up the road a ways you'll find Katy Houghton's shop in the Buckingham Professional Building. She says she goes to Europe for some of her antiques. On her last trip she brought back a William and Mary walnut low buoy, circa 1680, and an eighteenth century Queen Anne card table with a green baize top. This was used for playing loo and at each corner there are pockets for the carved ivory chips and disc-shaped indentations for holding candlesticks.

From New Jersey she has acquired a large handsome walnut cupboard with butterfly

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Charles Nash Antique Shop in Hartsville is one of the well known county dealers. This interesting wrought iron gate, colorfully painted, is an attraction in itself. As the sign in the background says, "Closed Sundays", due to the state blue laws.



There are many types of antique shops in the county, from the very exclusive to the style pictured above, where the customer must seek out "gems" from the conglomeration of "stuff".



Even on back roads, the traveler never escapes the Antique Shop. They are everywhere in Bucks County, and so much fun to search out, looking for that "special treasure".

(Panorama Photos)

FAMOUS BUCKS COUNTY MURDER CASES

THE HOUSE OF DEATH

by

ANN JEFFERSON

It stands gaunt and gaping on a Bucks County back road not far from Newtown. It is a stone house set in a framework of skeleton trees. Its shutters have long since been wrenched from their sockets, its face long ago mutilated by winds, rains and neglect. Beside it stands a graveyard where the bones of ancestors emerge occasionally in the teeth of some adventurous woodchuck.

You get the chilling sensation, when you stand some sunless day facing the house . . . that death lies closer to you than over that cemetery wall.

It does. In ghostly memories. In suicide. In hideous murder.

A man hanged himself there . . . a tragic lonely man . . . a little more than a quarter of a century ago. You can still feel that tragedy as you stand looking at house, do you not?

But the pallor of death that hangs like a grey veil over the house, the trees, the old cemetery wall, comes from death more horrid than his. It hangs heavy over the scene of murder.

A double hatchet murder of two old people who lay sleeping peacefully in their bed one night long ago. It was a September night in 1893. Look at the cemetery wall. Do you not feel you can see the form of a man, crouched under the bloodless moon of autumn, waiting? Do you see him creep past you with a soundless tread?

Listen! Hear a back window open now? Do you see the dark form lighting a kerosene lamp in the old kitchen? Now look! He takes a hatchet from the outer kitchen. Then slowly the lamplight moves through the front room and edges on through into the blackness of the bedroom of Samuel and Lena Rightly. You can hear their heavy breathing for they are farm folk and elderly . . . they sleep the deep sleep of two thoroughly tired people.

You see the arm of the intruder raise . . . then swing down . . . again and again. No cries. No sound. You never realized before how swift and terrible the most brutal of murder can be.

Now the lamp is placed bet-

ween the still forms on the bed. The light flickers frantically. In a moment a form dashes past you. A tiny piece of something black drops by the graveyard wall. It is near dawn now. You watch the man run like a stalked deer down the road and out of sight.

You feel rooted to the spot with horror, don't you?

But you must move over a moment out of the walk-way.

A neighbor of the Rightlys is coming. She's Mrs. Anna Stattler and she's bringing some warm milk for her elderly neighbors. An old custom of hers. It's seven o'clock in the morning now. A quiet cool Sunday morning. She doesn't see yet, what you do. The bed of the Rightlys is on fire . . . The bodies half-burned. What will poor Mrs. Stattler think? What will the poor woman do when she sees the horrible scene in the bedroom?

In a moment you know. Mrs. Stattler comes running out, shrieking for help as she fills a bucket with water from the well. Her son, Harry comes running. The fire alarm is sounded.

Within a remarkably short

time, the roadway is filled with firemen, neighbors . . . and of course, the local sheriff. Dr. Pownall of Richboro arrives a little before nine o'clock. The traffic and confusion is so great about the house, he can scarcely make his way inside.

Terrible fire, everybody is saying. How ever did it get started. Poor Rightlys. What a terrible way to go . . . in a fire. The doctor stands at the foot of the bed. The flooring is too badly burned for him to venture any closer. He pronounces accidental death by fire and departs.

But the sheriff is not so touchy. He edges carefully toward the head of the bed. Sam Rightly's face is not burned. It has been brutally smashed by an instrument.

An hour later the doctor is back. Close examination this time. Murder! By a hatchet!

The crowds this time are beyond control. Newsmen, neighbors, Newtown officials. The sheriff gives up trying to keep them away. The pressure is so great, he has only one choice to keep the doors from caving in. He opens the back door and the front door

and lets the morbid curiosity of the throngs attain fulfillment. In a steady stream they come in one door, past the bedroom and out the other door.

As you face the cold mask of a house, you are wondering what happened in the course of events that followed the gruesome Rightly murder. Was the murderer found?

He was.

Evidence was piled up by District Attorney Applebach. All circumstantial evidence. But it did fine for him. He was convinced. There was no doubt in his mind it was Wallace Burt, the Half-Breed Cherokee who'd come to these parts a month or so before the murder. He rented a room in the home of the Johnson stewards . . . a colored couple. He did odd jobs around the neighboring farms for a living. He liked to drink, too, and had one the evening of the murder . . . with the Rightly's nephew, Bartley, at some local tavern.

There was the strong fact that Burt had bought a rare brand of tobacco at the tobacco shop in Newtown that morning. It was the exact brand of a small plug found by the cemetery wall the morning after the murder by young Harry Stattler. Also a neigh-

bor testified on the stand at the subsequent trial in January of 1894 that she had overheard the Indian swear he'd get even with old Rightly for underpaying him for a mowing job.

Burt's clothing, in the hands of his landlady, was turned in with a few spots of blood on them. Science was unable to ascertain whether they were stains of human or animal blood.

But the trial went on furiously. Applebach presented his case soundly. The Defense Attorney Ryan had his equally-sincere conviction the Indian was innocent. Why would a murderer stay in the area after he'd committed his crime? (Burt reported to work the following Monday morning). Why would he rob a couple so notoriously poor? (Fifteen dollars had been stolen from under Mr. Rightly's pillow). If blood spots are to condemn a man who works around a farm . . . who is safe?

The jury filed out. The Indian stood his ground without a quiver. Only an occasional smile played around his lips. The jury returned. No verdict reached. A hung jury. A new trial was set for March.

On that March day the court room was filled as before. When Wallace Burt entered this time, his whole demeanor was changed. He sat staring at the ground, his head hung low. The Defense Attorney stepped up to the judge's bench. "My client changes his plea to 'Guilty'."

The entire court was spellbound.

The truth was at last out. Wallace Burt had confessed. There was no more doubt. The evidence had been true.

During his stay in prison, Wallace had taken to religion. For the first time, he wanted to be cleansed of his sins and try for the forgiveness in heaven he'd been hearing so much about. "I killed the old couple," he told the sheriff on the way to court that morning. "I did it with the hatchet. I don't know why I did it. The Evil Spirit was in me. I was drunk when I did it. I am very sorry for what I have done. I have been a very wicked man, but my heart is changed now and I am ready to die."

In the box, Burt sobbed as the judge pronounced sentence.

"Wallace Burt, the sentence which the law imposes upon

you is that you be taken hence to the prison of Bucks County whence you came, and thence to the place of execution, and that you be hanged by the neck until you are dead, and may God have mercy upon your soul."

Burt sank back with a wild cry.

At the moment of execution, the Indian was his old stoic self. He said hello to those around him he recognized. Then the black hood descended. Then the noose was fastened, the knot under his left ear.

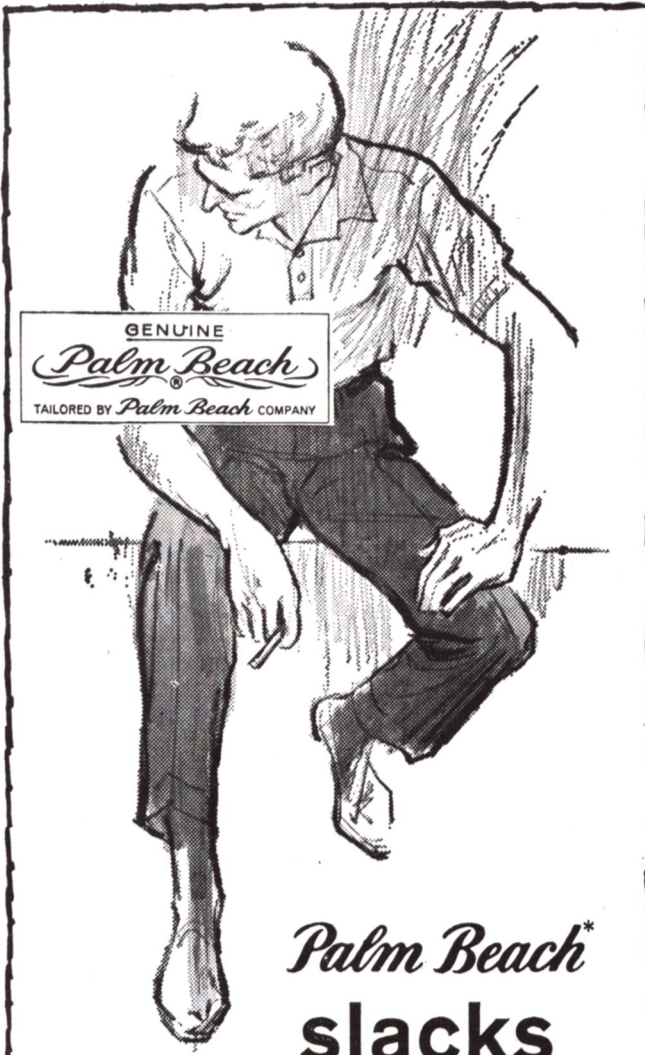
There was a muffled crash through the prison corridors as the doors fell. A half dozen physicians surrounded the twitching body.

Wallace Burt paid well for his brutal crime. He hung in slow strangulation while the doctors watched and tested his pulse. It was not until eleven minutes after the trap had been sprung, that Wallace Burt was pronounced dead.

Now, as you walk away from the Rightly house, perhaps a little sun has broken through the clouds.

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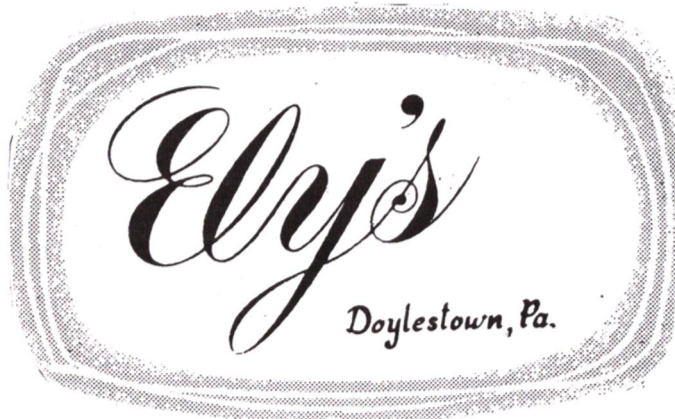
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Marriage is popular because it combines the maximum of temptation with the maximum of opportunity. — George B. Shaw
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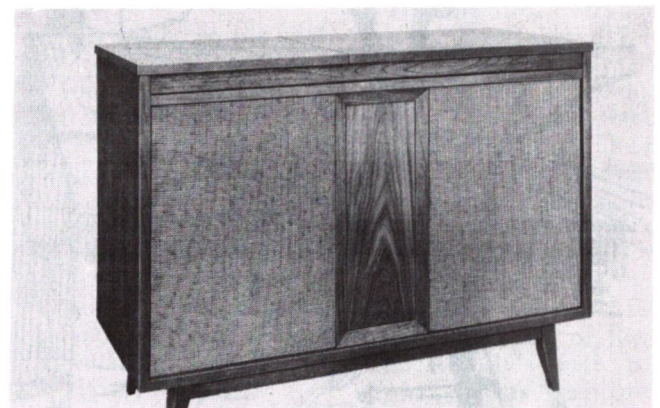
Justice is a machine that, when some one has once given it the starting push, rolls on of itself. — John Galsworthy

Men are generally more careful of the breed of their horses and dogs than of their children. — William Penn
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Passion is a sort of fever in the mind, which ever leaves us weaker than it found us. — William Penn

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Meet John Welsh

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Karl Boehringer

The first time I met John Welsh was at his unpretentious home in Doylestown. I had gone there to pick him up to make a trip to Washington, D. C. He introduced his attractive wife Ruth, and Tommy, the first of his six children.

It was a blustery winter day in 1948. I needed some assistance, and the Republican leaders in the county advised me that Mr. Welsh was the only one who could help. So it was that I, a life long Republican, was being taken to our nation's capitol by the Democratic leader of Bucks County.

Why this personal note? Because this is the measure of the man. A man of stature, of depth. A man who appreciates and is considerate of the problems of others. A man who likes people just because they are people, not because he can use them for selfish purposes.

John has a tidy build, about five foot eight and weighing in at 160 pounds. He is given to wearing grey suits, white shirts and conservative ties. (Ed note—Once in awhile, that bright Irish Green tie comes out for an appearance!) His greying hair and quiet demeanor give one a feeling of confidence, solidarity, of quiet judgement and poise.

Throughout the years the memory of that delightful trip to Washington keeps returning. During the day we went to see a number of high personages. Always John received a hearty welcome and the hearing he rightly deserved. A pleasant and exciting day.

On returning to Doylestown, John refused my efforts to pay for his time or even his expenses! Here was a busy business man and politician who would take no compensation for the very expenses he had incurred in my behalf!

Not even his meals. Nothing!

Years later, he was to receive national recognition as the analytical leader of the Democratic leader in Bucks County, but more of that later.

John Welsh was born in Abington, Pa., nearly a half century ago, the son of a hard working employee of the PTC. His family moved to Doylestown when John was five years old. He was graduated from Doylestown High School in 1932. While there, he made a fine name for himself. He made his letter in football and baseball for two years. He was manager of the basketball team as well. He was active in dramatics and was president of his class for three years.

Following graduation he refereed intercollegiate as well as preparatory school basketball games. In one memorable season, he officiated in excess of 100 games.

He attended Pierce Business College for three years, majoring in public accounting.

John Welsh and Ruth Carlson were married in 1941. They are blessed with six boys. The eldest, 19 year old Tommy is in the Air Force. The second son, Danny, is a Physical Education major at East Stroudsburg State College.

This has been an average kind of middle class family, with the average run of childhood diseases and injuries. But somehow, John has acquired a gentle understanding, a strong compassion for the multiplicity of problems faced by his fellow man. In spite of all the activity and effort needed to making a living in the Real Estate business (Brown & Welsh Real Estate, Doylestown), and the myriad pressures to which a fine political leader

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PLAIN and FANCY COOKING

PLAIN and FANCY TALK

Harriet Fox, Woman's Page Editor

Bucks Sets Nationwide Style



Bucks County has long been known as a center of culture—the arts, music, etc., abound within our boundaries. But now, we really have something to be proud of,—the newest “status symbol” in the United States, the B-B-B Sweatshirt, (modeled above by Bobbi Ely of Doylestown.) Brahms, Beethoven and Bach are now immortalized on sweat shirts, thanks to the Eagle Shirtmakers of Quakertown, who are busy day and night turning out the 3B sweatshirts. More than 1,000 stores from coast to coast are

selling them like hot cakes. In Doylestown, Ely's have them and report sales are “brisk”. “Be the first in your neighborhood,” say the ads, and Bucks County culture is again heard round the world. (Panorama Photo by Alliger)

Base for Democracy

“Democracy is based upon the conviction that there are extraordinary possibilities in ordinary people.”

—Harry Emerson Fosdick

PRIZE RECIPE

CHERRY PUDDING

This month's Recipe of The Month should make a hit with all who try it. Mrs. C. N. Layman of Doylestown, the gal who sent it in, tells us that her family has used it many times, and it always makes a welcome treat.

Mrs. Layman will receive the award this month for her recipe for Cherry Pudding. Why not send in your favorite recipe and win a years subscription to Panorama. Here's Mrs. Layman's Recipe.

Cherry Pudding

Butter or shortening (size of walnut)

½ C. sugar

½ C. milk

1 C. flour

1 Tsp. Baking powder.

Mix as cake. Place in buttered dish, cover with 1 C. sour cherries & ½ C. sugar.

Cover this with 1 C. boiling water.

Bake 1 Hr. moderate temp. (If you use canned cherries, use juice as part of the water.) Serve with whipped cream.

POTATOES 'ROUND THE WORLD

If world peace could but be found through commonly shared preferences, potatoes might deserve to be nominated a symbol of international good will. This native of South America has traveled far and won friends everywhere. Nutritious tasty and economical, its fine qualities have earned an excellent reputation all along the way.

In former times, potatoes were the salvation of near-starvation Europe, and were often used almost exclusively. In Ireland, for example, it was estimated in 1780 that a 280-pound barrel of potatoes was enough for a week's supply for

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Backyard Swimming Pool Trend Flows Strongly All Over U. S.

ALL OVER the country in the hot weather season you can hear it.

The door slamming, the slap of naked feet against the ground, the whoop and holler and the BIG SPLASH!

No matter where it occurs, you know it is part of a nationwide trend.

For the big thing this year, next year, and for years to come is the backyard swimming pool.

Americans this year will build an estimated 70,000 swimming pools. This will bring the total number of pools in the country to well over

300,000. This compares with less than 11,000 only ten years ago.

Even more astonishing is the fact that by far the great majority of pools are classified as residential. In 1948 there were only about 2,500 residential pools in the country.

The swimming pool has changed the family concept of vacations. Since the main reason for escaping to shore or mountain is to get away from the heat, the swimming pool answers the prime need of the majority of families.

Furthermore, the pool adds substantially to the net worth of a home owner's property.

POTATOES

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a family of five—about 8 pounds a day for each member of the family.

Today, it's by far the most frequently used vegetable in the American diet. In one form or another, we managed to eat some 104 pounds of potatoes each in 1961. Consumption of all other vegetables for the period came to only 99 pounds each.

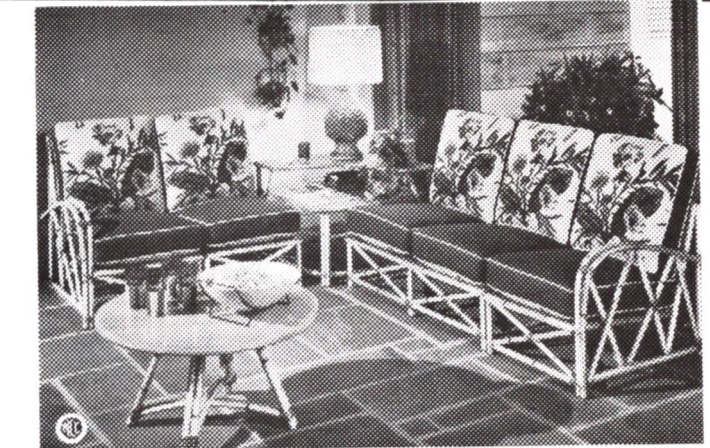
How about trying some new potato dishes? Perhaps you'd like to take a few cues from our neighbors overseas. Potatoes are the mainstay of many European diets, and homemakers there have created any number of interesting special national dishes. Some are even internationally in use. One potato dish that's virtually a universal favorite on European farm supper tables is Fried Potatoes and Eggs. This delicious preparation is a tasty blend of golden browned potatoes and wholesome scrambled eggs.

Put diced or sliced cooked potatoes in a hot buttered skillet—margarine, cooking oil, bacon or sausage drippings will also do, if preferred instead of butter. Brown the potatoes, and chopped onion if desired, over a medium heat, turning frequently to obtain uniform browning. Have a batch of eggs ready for scrambling and add to the browned potatoes. Scramble potatoes and eggs lightly with a fork or spatula, and cook until the eggs are done as desired. Serve at once with cooked sausage, bacon or sliced ham.

Finnish fishermen put the mark of their trade on many of their potato dishes, including a delectable Escalloped Potatoes and Salmon casserole. Alternate layers of sliced, peeled, raw potatoes and skinned, boned, canned salmon in a greased casserole. Season each layer with butter, chopped onion, salt and pepper. Pour

in enough milk to cover the layers and sprinkle the top with buttered crumbs. Bake in a moderate 350° F. oven for 40 to 50 minutes. Served with a tossed green salad, this is a meal complete.

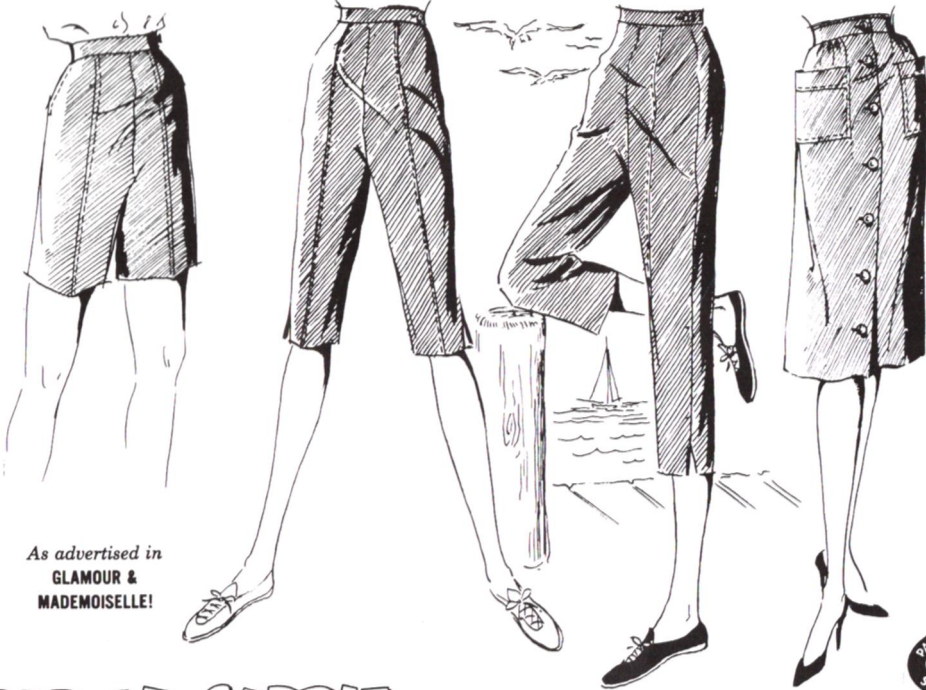
You're sure to enjoy, also, Swedish inspired Potato Timbales, colorful, attractive mounds of mashed potatoes in green-bean-carrot cups. Put a spoonful of mashed potatoes into greased custard cups, then line the sides of the cups with cooked whole green beans and cooked carrot strips. The potato will hold these vegetables in place until you fill the rest of the cup with more mashed potatoes. Trim the beans and carrots to cup height, and bake the timbales in a moderate 350° F. oven for 20 minutes. To



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serve, invert cups on a hot platter, dot each with butter and sprinkle with paprika.

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Bucks Women

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Pennsylvania State University. These are among the twenty-nine different groups scheduled on the program, June 18 to 21.

Interest groups will be in charge of University faculty and staff members and others off the campus.

"Helping Teenagers Look at Marriage" is the topic Carl-fred B. Broderick, Associate Professor of Family Relationships will discuss. Points he will include relate to causes and consequences of

teenage marriages and the role of parents in teenage marriage plans.

Vladimir de Lissoyov, Associate Professor of Child Development and Family Relationships, will discuss the "Middle Years of Married Life" and what research reveals about these marriages.

Another topic closely related to family life is "Reading Aloud, a Family Recreation". William W. Hamilton, Associate Professor of Speech, will be in charge of this interest group.

Other interest groups include topics on foods and nutrition, fabrics and clothing, home landscaping, growing better house plants, zoning and community growth, and investing money in the stock market.

Each woman attending this tenth annual event can take part in eight different interest groups.

Further information on Extension Homemaker's Week and how you may attend, may be obtained from Miss Frances Vannoy at the Bucks County Agricultural Extension office in the new Court House office building in Doylestown.

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Straw Hat Circuit Schedules

You always know that summer cannot be far away when The Bucks County Playhouse over in New Hope, and St. John Terrell's Music Circus in Lambertville announce their summer schedules of theatrical and musical offerings.

The Bucks County Playhouse, under the direction of Mike Ellis, (who directs productions between writing his monthly column for Panorama) announced the Playhouse's 24th year with a 10 show season which started last Saturday, April 28 with Gene Rayburn and Russell Nye in "Under The Yum-Yum Tree". "Yum-Yum" runs through May 12. From May 14 through May 26, Martha Scott stars in "The Complainant Lover" May 28 through June 9, brings popular vocalist Mindy Carson in a new romantic comedy "Love Among The Platypi". Starting June 11, James Daly stars in an exciting new drama, "The Advocate", directed by Alfred Drake. Mike promises 6 more top shows to complete the season.

The tent shows of St. John Terrell do not get underway until June 1st, and will offer some of the old favorite musicals, plus many recent Broadway offerings. Their schedule looks like this:

June 1st-17th: "The Flower Drum Song"
June 19th-July 1st: "The Music Man"
July 3rd-8th: "Gypsy"
July 10th-15th: "Fiorello"
July 17th-22nd: "Threepenny Opera"
July 24th-29th: "The Chocolate Soldier"
July 31st-Aug. 5th: "West Side Story"
Aug. 14th-19th: "Guys and Dolls"
Aug. 21st-Sept. 2nd: "Bye, Bye Birdie"

The Monday evening Jazz Specials, which usually play to a packed house, will offer some of the top names in the Jazz Music field again this year. That schedule looks, reads like a list of who's who in jazz:

June 4th: Dave Brubeck
June 11th: Stan Kenton
June 18th: Dave Brubeck
June 25th: Dukes of Dixieland

July 2nd: Jose Greco
July 16th: Count Basie
July 30th: Maynard Ferguson
August 6th: Les Brown
August 13th: Gene Krupa & Ramsey Lewis
August 20th: Duke Ellington

August 27th: Cannon Ball Adderley & Nancy Wilson
Sunday, September 2nd at 2 p.m.—George Shearing
It looks like we Bucks Countians are in for a grand summer of theatre, music and drama on the banks of the Delaware thanks to Mike

Ellis and St. John Terrell, who each year seem to top the previous season.

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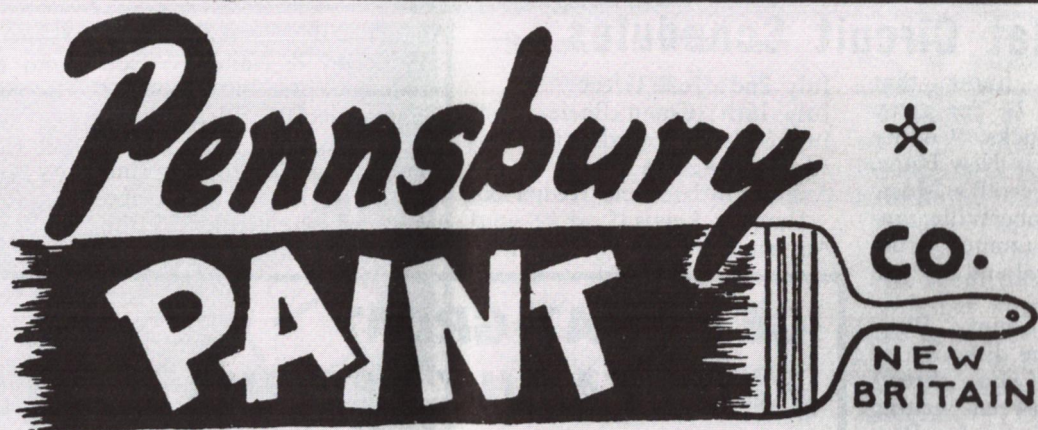
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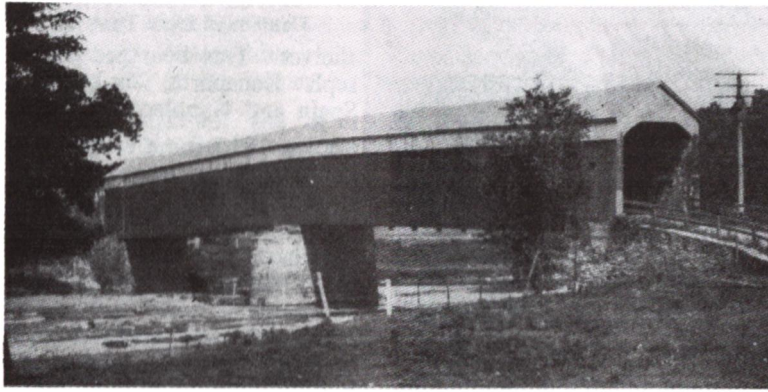
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Washington's Crossing. They also show a large number of loyalty trials, including convictions for treason of the man-and-wife ferry keepers at Lumberton, and that of the head of a family with a very well known name today.

All Quakerdom was divided into three parts. The one-third who supported the American cause were tendered a glowing tribute by Thomas Paine, who at the same time asked "Heaven preserve me against a political Quaker." The one-third who supported King George openly did so mainly on protocol, as the thin ranks of the patriots were regarded as "rag-tag, hobtail" — the beatniks of their time. The middle third did business cheerfully with both sides, but preferred the ringing change of gold from King George's men against the shipplasters of the Continentals.

Quaker doctrine of non-resistance was finally broken by Davey Jones, Chaplain to Anthony Wayne. Wayne had Jones' tract "Defensive War in a Just Cause Sinless" posted to the ratta-tatta-tat of the drum.

Pennsylvania itself finally acted next, and drummed out John Penn and his staff of forty. After the Revolution, a substantial number of Tories had their properties confiscated, wrong side, d'ye know, and others cleared out, not being able to face the years ahead of having the old Continental soldiers rub it in.



"Chain Bridge" across the Neshaminy Creek about 1921. The bridge originally hung on chains, hence the name. (Photo courtesy Mrs. E. M. Funk)

Time lent an aura to the Revolution just as deceptive as that about Communist espionage and other hanky-panky here, and today there doesn't seem to be a Tory descendant, nor a house where a British officer slept any nearer than Nova Scotia.

(Part II in this series will deal with the armed uprising against the United States, and the dozen major espionage agents who slept here.)

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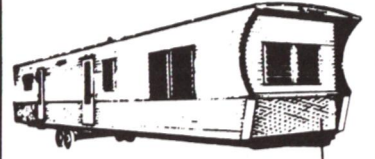
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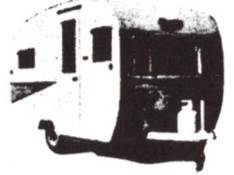
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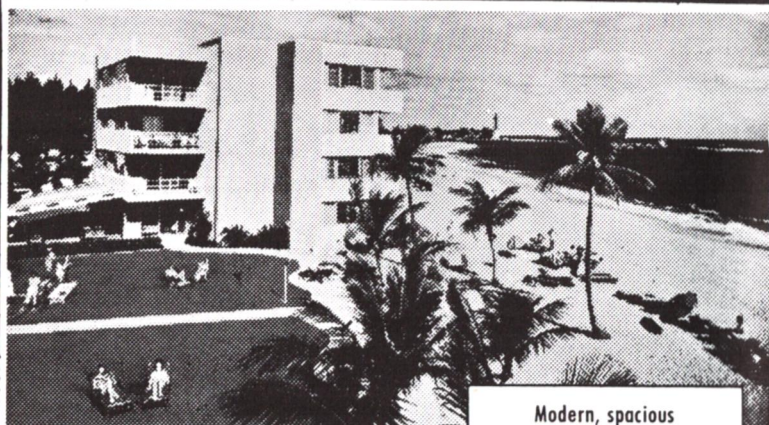
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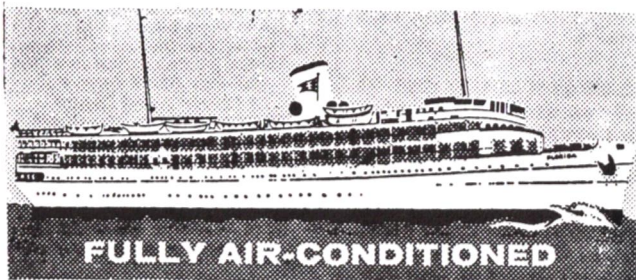
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Antiquing in Bucks County

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shelves. This belonged to Joseph Bonaparte, ex-king of Spain and Napoleon's brother, who in 1815 came to Bordentown to live. This cupboard has remained in the possession of one family after it left the Bonaparte household until it came into Mrs. Houghton's possession.

In Lahaska Mildred and Harold Fryer have antiques for sale on the first floor of their home and in a garage in the rear. Twice a year they fly to Europe to find antiques that they can't acquire in Pennsylvania or neighboring states.

Their search has taken them to Paris, London, Glasgow, Vienna and Berlin for furniture, glassware and china. They are especially proud of their collection of French dolls.

Also in Lahaska in a towering Victorian home Mrs. W. H. Thayer houses her French-American antiques. Who can deny that the French touch doesn't add a certain distinction we're all looking for? She tells the story of two French poodles who were introducing themselves to a thoroughly American dog of no particular ancestry.

"My name is Mimi," one of the poodles said. "M-i-m-i."

"And mine is Fifi," the other added. "F-i-f-i."

The American dog said, "My name is Fido. F-i-d-e-a-u."

And this certain distinction you'll see when you step into Mrs. Thayer's home to see her antiques. Mrs. Thayer came to this country when she was nine.

After her marriage she and her husband went into the antique business, first in Philadelphia then in Bucks County. Born Germaine Ardaine in Roanne, France, she returns every spring to her home and buys many old pieces for her antique shop here. This is made easy for her because her cousins are in the antique business themselves and have a selection for her to choose from. What she can't find there, she discovers as she travels through the rolling countryside along the Loire River near her home where many of the old chateaux still remain and purchases what she believes her customers in America will want.

Americans are not the best buyers of the old exquisite Louis XIV furniture, because the prices are too high. While the rate of exchange is 48 francs to a dollar, the cost of living in France is high, and one cannot pick up bargains dollarwise.

When you go into her shop in Lahaska you'll see a dainty Louis XV inlaid buffet, very old and rare; next to it, dominating the room, is a walnut cabinet on a chest, measuring six feet in height. You'll also see a *trumeau*, or mirror over which a picture is painted; old sconces for the wall; heavy ornamental tie-backs for curtains; bronze and brass cathedral candlesticks; a bronze Mene statue dated 1868 of a woman on horseback; a large gilt octagon barometer; and gilt framed pictures of her mother.

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In all corners and in all settings, you'll find Antique Shops. This one, near New Hope is almost secluded.

(Panorama Photo)

**ANTIQUING IN
BUCKS COUNTY**

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grandfather, and his mother, who wears a sheer white cap.
On one wall is a black lacquered clock with a scene painted on it, made by Lyon and Vicy in Marcigny near Mrs. Thayer's home. It's the kind of clock that might be seen in a country house near the end of the century. She has, too, a colorful collection of Victorian glassware signed by famous French glass designers: Galle, Daum, Lalique, and Legras. One interesting table which Mrs. Thayer brought back with her a number of years ago and which was quickly sold had George Washington's profile inlaid in contrasting wood on the table top.
Hanging on another wall is an old French panetier, from which our word "pantry" is derived. It is a cage of softly polished, ornately carved wood in which either the long or the round country loaves of bread may be kept without getting moldy. The loaves may get hard, but that doesn't matter to the French, Mrs. Thayer says.
She also has English antiques, sent to her by a buyer in England, and many old pieces from American sources. From England she has an unusually large assortment of copperware, a mahogany knee-hole desk,

and an oak arm chair with a fibre seat, to mention a few.
Any antique shop you go into will have its own interesting pieces, and if the owner has time, he will tell you of its background. Once your interest is aroused, you may become a collector.
Some start collecting from nostalgia, trying to regain the feeling they had as children by searching for pieces their grandmother had. Others use antiques as status symbols since
Mrs. Jackie Kennedy is refurbishing parts of the White House with authentic period pieces. And some just like the beauty and grace in the workmanship of another century.
Whatever the reason, antiquing is here to stay, especially in Bucks County.
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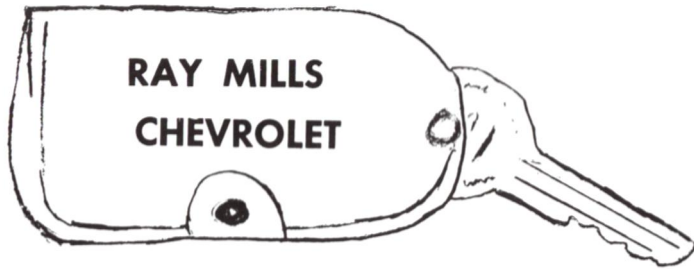
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The Austin Cooper is probably the most unique car on the market today. While it has a "sedan wagon" body type, it is, beyond any question, a "sports car." This was proven emphatically at Marlboro Raceway in March when it was introduced in this country by B.M.C. With drivers such as Sterling Moss and the Rodriguez brothers at the wheel, it out handled and outperformed what might be classified as true sports cars.

The general outward appearance of this car might be compared to a large roller skate. About three quarters of the size of a Volkswagon, it is firmly planted on four ten inch wheels. We will find later that these small wheels and a short wheel base team together for a very, useful purpose.

However small it appears outside, once inside you find that you have been a victim of an optical illusion. Inside, there is room to spare. The front seats, which do not appear to be buckets, are individual and provide plenty of shoulder room for driver and passenger. We said that the seats do not appear to be of the bucket type, but, once you sit down they feel as if they are. The back seat is of the bench type and allows suf-

ficient room for two occupants. In fact, the owner advised us that she had recently taken a trip in excess of 100 miles with three other people and that none of them suffered any discomfort.

Other features inside included custom vinyl upholstery, a full length dash tray, a Smiths heater, plenty of glass area for excellent visibility, and an easily read instrument cluster. This cluster included a speedometer, fuel and temperature gauges, oil pressure gauge, and the usual signal lights for generator and high beams. We were disappointed that there was no tachometer. We were even more disappointed over this exclusion when we got out on the road.

Once on the road, you are once again pleasantly surprised. The small wheels, which we described above, allow control beyond description. The car literally turns on a dime at almost any speed. We completed one of the tightest circles we had ever experienced at a slow speed. Then out on the road, we were able to go through a series of tight corners, at speeds between 30 and 50 mph, without any trouble at all. In addition, four wheel

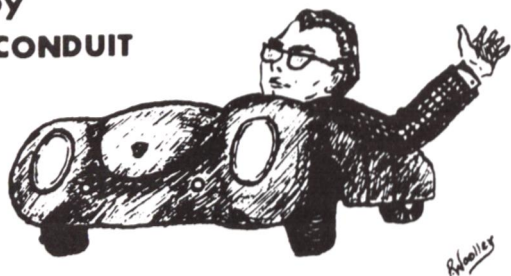
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Jim Notgrass, of Autosport, returns the keys of the Austin Cooper to Mary Haines after 500 mile check. (Panorama Photo by Fetterolf)

Sports Cars

Racing Motors

by
ROGER CONDUIT



In a recent issue I defended the naming of this column by stating that all automobile racing was not done on a track. I further added that all one had to do was walk up Main Street to have this borne out. I should have said that all one had to do was to visit the DOYLESTOWN SHOPPING CENTER.

There is no one who enjoys putting a car through its paces anymore than I do; however, I do believe the place to test acceleration is a congested parking area of a busy Shopping Center. And yet, there is a certain percentage of the "younger set" here in town that must think the DOYLESTOWN SHOPPING CENTER was built for this sole purpose.

Recently, while standing in front of the W. T. GRANT store, I was "privileged" to witness a meeting of the "A. J. FOYT FAN CLUB" (Doylestown Council). Four cars, all highly polished and customized with numerous "goodies" were assembled in a group with engines running. All of a sudden, one of the drivers gave the signal and they all "took off" in different directions.

One "dragged" all the way to the bowling alley (a distance of approximately fifty yards) leaving a trail of rubber all the way. Another went in the same general direction and must have felt that a brake test was needed. The brakes held but the car didn't because the driver accomplished one of the nicest four wheel drifts I had ever seen on a macadam surface. The third driver broke the sound barrier getting to a distant exit onto North Main St. While the fourth daredevil, just to make the picture complete, used the aisle in front of the stores as an obstacle course; "carefully" missing all the shoppers conveniently placed along the way.

Now this spectacle in itself is bad enough; but, let me add just one more ingredient that will make the cheese more binding. This exhibition took place on a Thursday Night . . . A night when ALL the stores are opened. Furthermore, this is not an isolated instance. You can witness one of these exhibitions on almost any evening "after the sun goes down".

When will it stop? When will these drivers "wise up"? Probably not until after someone is hurt or perhaps even KILLED.

By now, this writer will undoubtedly be classified as a "square" by this driving set. They will be screaming that I am wrong in condemning the "younger driver". Before this screaming gets too loud, I'd like to set the record straight. There is no doubt in my mind that a large percentage of the young drivers are good. Their reflexes are sharp and therefore they can cope with difficult driving situations much more quickly than the older driver.

The situation at the Center is NOT caused by "bad drivers." It is caused by good drivers who are using their automobiles to "blow off steam." There is both a time and place for the driving described above and it is by no means at the DOYLESTOWN SHOPPING CENTER!!!

Perhaps, it is time to give these drivers a place to test their skills under the proper conditions. In any event, the time to act is NOW. . . . Before our local newspaper carries

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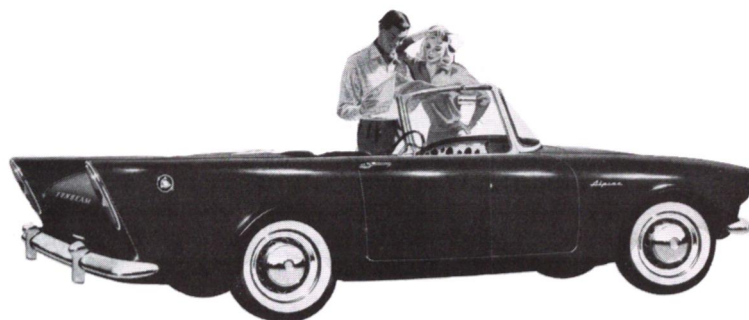
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individual suspension cuts "leaning" to an absolute minimum. Breaking is positive and is accomplished with "discs" up front and drums in the back. Overall, the ride is smooth but firm.

As for engine performance, the manufacturer states that the car will cruise all day at 75 mph and has a maximum speed of 95 mph. While we were unable to prove these claims (state laws you know), we have no reason to disbelieve them. We can say, however, that even with three people in the car (we did the test with the owner aboard), it did not give any indication of being sluggish.

As we previously stated, there was no tachometer and therefore we can not say how hard the engine was working. However, we estimated that we were turning about 2000 rpm at 40 mph in fourth gear. This is further borne out by the suggested shifting speeds indicated on the speedometer.

These were as follows:

- 1st gear to 28 mph
- 2nd gear to 45 mph
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Summing up, the Austin Cooper provides all the benefits of a sedan and the performance of a sports car. Now get ready for the "clinch." The manufacturer's suggested list price; which includes features such as the deluxe upholstery, heater, turn signals and windshield washers; is only \$1864 P.O.E. In addition, this car is sold and serviced by all B.M.C. dealerships.

Ed. Note: We wish to thank "Col." Jim Notgrass of Autosport, Inc. (Morrisville, Pa.) who arranged with the owner, Miss Mary Haines, to allow us to do this test.

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— George Bernard Shaw

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Philadelphia Junior golf champion as well as champion of the Doylestown Country Club—as he has been many times since—won the Memorial Day 36-hole tourney on the Doylestown course, with a score of 161, with a set of somewhat ancient wodden-shafted clubs. . . . Bob Siegler and "Ally" Rufe also hit the prize events.

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WELL KNOWN FOURSOME: A classy foursome that left Doylestown 33 years ago, to play the Cobbs Creek public course in Philadelphia included Dr. R. L. Walter W. Lawrence Mason, Edward R. Kirk and Robert L. Clymer, a quartet of old-timers that had more fun than anyone belonging to the D-Town country club in those days, with the possible exception of John R. Andre, Harold H. Keller, Joe Conroy and yours truly.

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MORE ABOUT 1933: The first talking picture to be shown in Doylestown at the Strand Theatre was a Memorial Day performance offering Richard Barthlemess in "Weary River." . . . Councilman Lewis Gerlach addressed the Doylestown Rotary Club at the Memorial Day meeting at which time a telegram from Rotary President-elect Dr. C. Louis Siegler, was read. . . . Dr. Siegler was attending a convention of Rotary International in Dallas, Texas. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Earl Handy, of Buckingham (now Prison Warden Handy) announced the birth of a son in the Doylestown Emergency Hospital, and so did Mr. and Mrs. James Martino, of East State Street. . . . Mrs. Howard Ambler issued invitations for a bridge luncheon at her home and Herman Burgher, of Maple avenue underwent surgery. . . . Police Harry Rhoades was arrested by one of his own officers for making an alleged improper return in a levy on household goods, but the hearing in the case amounted to nothing.

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SPEAKING OF ELECTIONS: At the general election in Bucks county 33 years ago, Bucks county went Republican by approximately 9,500 over the Democrats. . . . Art Eastburn was re-elected district attorney over Charles B. Ermentrout, for a second term, by a vote of 14,487 to 4,923. . . . In the same election, Judge Hiram H. Keller polled 14,605 Republican votes and 4,577 Democrat votes. . . . In the same election Editor George S. Hotchkiss defeated his Democrat opponent, Joseph Windholz, 674 to 428 for Burgess of Doylestown.

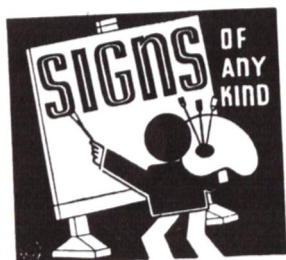
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1962 POTPOURRI: Spring took a holiday on April 17 when temperatures in Doylestown dropped to a record low of 27 degrees, the lowest in 90 years. . . . A May 7 debate has been scheduled for Monday night, May 7 at the headquarters of the Loyal Republican Club at Buckingham, between GOP County Chairman Frederick E. Ziegler and District Attorney Paul R. Beckert, who is hoping to dethrone Ziegler as the top leader of Republican politics in Bucks county. . . . This should be a "natural." . . . Primary election day, Tuesday, May 15, should be another "natural" for the participants, especially the organization-Republicans, who have never been defeated at a primary, and the Republican Alliance group. . . . I liked what Gov. Nelson Rockefeller said recently when he advised the Republican Party to close ranks and unite the conservatives and liberals. . . . This reporter is anxiously awaiting the primary election outcome in Bucks, and is hoping that the winning and losing factions have enough sense to close ranks, otherwise the political picture will most certainly change come November.

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IN SHORTS: The new long distance dialing system of the telephone company is about the most confusing puzzle of the year. . . . The Bucks county Republicans have a business man and a lawyer running for State Assembly. . . . It should not be difficult to make a selection. . . . It is simply a question

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the headline, "FAMILY KILLED WHILE CROSSING TO CAR AT SHOPPING CENTER."

New, let's turn to some legitimate racing of the sports car variety.

The racing season opened at Vineland on April 7 and 8 with the PHILADELPHIA REGION (SCCA) sponsored Divisional Championships. Unfortunately, rain marred what had promised to be a very exciting weekend. Entrants had signed up from a wide area and the list included such names as BRUCKER, JENNINGS, KECK, HANNA, COOK, and HOLBERT.

However, even with the rain, the racing proved to be interesting to say the least. Undoubtedly, the most exciting race of the day was the duel that developed between BEN MOORE in his 1962 Corvette and Porsche driver BRUCE JENNINGS who had just returned from a victory at SEBRING. MOORE took an early lead over the famed Corvette Killer, as the Porsche got a bit water logged in the first lap. As the Porsche began to dry out, JENNINGS began to knock seconds off MOORE'S lead until finally on the 25th lap, only eight seconds separated the two cars. For the next four laps, it was touch and go as both drivers fought the traffic and the elements. When starter ARCH JAMES finally dropped the checkered flag on the winner, it was MOORE one second in front of JENNINGS. Needless to say, both drivers received a standing ovation from the rain soaked spectators.

Another highlight of the day was provided by Bucks County's own BOB FRANCE. BOB, in his flaming red Sprite powered Lotus 7, was a hometown favorite as he took his starting position for his first crack at competition on the Divisional level. He took an early lead and just kept lengthening it through the 25 lap contest. When the flag was finally dropped, he had lapped all but second, third, and fourth place finishers; and was not too far from passing them also.

Unfortunately, there were heartbreaking moments also. The first came in the E Performance race and involved Carversville's BLAIR LIVEZEY. BLAIR, driving his yellow TR-3, started in tenth position. After 18 laps he had moved up to fifth position only seconds behind the two cars fighting for third. During the next five laps, he cut this lead down to where he too was in contention for "silver." Then it happened, the clutch began to fail and a DNF had to be recorded on lap #23 for MR. LIVEZEY.

However, the worst was yet to come. In the very next race, the last of the morning series; rain, a slippery course, and a slow thinking driver teamed together to cause a tragedy.

The rain began in earnest as the cars lined up for the C Performance Event. NORM COOK, 1961 E Performance Winner, was in pole position with his new 1300 Super Denzel. The Green flag dropped and the cars were off. Coming out of the chicane, Norm was in fourth position and coming up fast as the cars entered the oval. Coming out of the oval and into the straightaway, it happened! He lost control on a slick spot and spun out in the middle of the track.

Safety personnel in the oval responded immediately and displayed the yellow flag cautioning the rest of the pack which was bunched up behind him. Reactions were quick as the drivers, twelve of them, passed him safely on either side.

However, the thirteenth driver, who was obviously not "with it," did not heed the warning and proceeded to drive right into the rear of the Denzel. It was obvious to all witnesses, including this writer, that it was not necessary for him to come in contact with the stalled automobile. He had more than enough time and room to analyze the situation and avoid it.

The final results of this accident still are not known. COOK was taken to the hospital and released with no ap-

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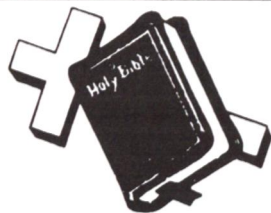
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JOHN WELSH

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is exposed, John Welsh retains the integrity and dependability which have carried him so far.

"I started out as an active Democrat when I was only 21 years of age. This was at a time when it was scarcely safe to be of the opposition party" smiles Welsh.

"During the subsequent years the party grew in Bucks County from six thousand hearty souls to some sixty thousand registered Democratic voters."

John Welsh was always in the forefront; liking people as he does, he was always organizing and attending meetings. He has attended hundreds and hundreds of meetings and rallies. John's hobby is politics and his second family is the Democratic party.

As is often the case, his

presence at innumerable dedications was mandatory. Naturally he accepted an invitation to help in the dedication of the new Midway Fire Company in June of 1958. As was bound to happen, this was also John and Ruth's seventeenth wedding anniversary. Dedicating a building is not the accepted way to observe an occasion of this sort. Ruth, however, duly accompanied hubby to the event. Now, an inspired committee functioned, swiftly and brilliantly. As a part of the proceedings, they presented Mrs. Welsh with seventeen superb red roses!

Welsh helps keep his fingers on the pulse of the county and country by reading and studying everyone of the nine newspapers published in Bucks County, many national magazines, and naturally Panorama! After serving as a County Commissioner for eight years, he has

a deep and abiding interest in the future of Bucks County. He is active in many organizations and is past president of the Doylestown Lions Club and past president of the Doylestown High School Alumni. He is also past presi-

dent of the St. Joseph's Society and the past president of the Bucks County Board of Realtors.

There are always heart-breaks as well as accolades in the business of being a politician. In the county elections of 1959, Commissioner Welsh lost out in his bid for reelection for a third term. He was then President of the Board of County Commissioners and had been a hard working county employee. Under his four year term as President, there had been no tax increases and during this time several new county services had been added. Here was the first Democratic President of the Board of Commissioners in 50 years, but the heavy Republican vote of that year sent him down to defeat.

The Welsh relationships in Harrisburg are exceptionally good, including Governor Lawrence and the other party leaders with cabinet positions. His good standing is evidenced by their recognition of his faithful work in the "vineyards". Many job offers have come his way over the years, always he has refused. When Governor Lawrence offered to appoint him to Chairman of the State Workman's Compensation Board, he could not refuse. His sons needed an education and this was his opportunity to provide it.

The Chairmans appointment runs from May 1961 to the third Tuesday in January of 1963. There are over 100 people in his department looking to him for guidance

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RAMBLING WITH RUSS John Welsh

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of opinion as to who is best qualified to handle the business of a great state. . . . Congratulations to Doylestown Police Chief Kenneth R. Tutt on his recent appointment and okay by the Civil Service Commission. . . . The police department has an efficient and experienced chief. . . . Doylestown Mayor C. Elden and Mrs. Clemens are vacationing in Europe, or will be shortly.

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ODDS AND ENDS: I have a hunch that all the help you give your children on their civics homework is sort of canceled out when you brag about how you got out of jury duty. . . . We believe that Gladys Selner, of Doylestown, has the endurance record for weekday travel between D-Town and Philadelphia by train (42 years this September). . . . Grass growers have a tremendous insecurity. . . . They're all afraid that the guy next door is an expert who'll make them look bad by producing a lawn of pure velvet. . . . The dogwoods are playing their parts in the picturesque landscapes of the Bux-Mont area, especially between Doylestown and Valley Forge. . . . It was a Doylestown woman, the late Mrs. Harry J. Shoemaker, who 16 years ago, engineered an achievement that resulted in the planting of 5,000 "peace trees" (dogwood seedlings and larger trees) in eleven school districts in Bucks county. . . . The Dogwood Trail between Valley Forge and Washington Crossing State Park was planted about 26 years ago. . . . More than 60,000 dogwood seedlings were planted at that time.

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THIRTY: One of the kindest and finest men I ever knew, passed away last month. There are not too many 'Squire' Bill Wrigleys around to take his place, especially at Christmas-time and on other occasions when folks may be in distress.

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and direction. Appeal hearings are held in eight cities in the Commonwealth. These people come seeking fair and equitable decisions on their appeal claims, and find instinctive sympathy for their problems. This keeps a conscientious man like Welsh moving and working constantly.

He is also a member of the Bucks County Racing Association and serves as a secretary and director.

The Bucks County Racing Association plans to lease the Liberty Bell Track fifty days a year. This, along with fifty days a year for the Liberty Bell Association, will provide the area with 100 days of racing. Construction has begun and there is every hope they will start racing this fall, but unquestionably will race a full card next Spring.

James A. Michener and John Welsh have been good friends from childhood. During the 1960 presidential campaign, Michener was recruited to head up the Kennedy forces in the county. As a result of John's recommendation, he was made chairman of the Citizens for Kennedy Committee. During these activities the famed author made copious notes which resulted, of course, in the book, "Report of The County Chairman". Welsh was asked to review the manuscript and make suggestions for changes.

In January of 1961 on the night of the Presidential Inauguration, there was a county-wide celebration at The Warrington Country Club. John and Jim were there, and John tells me, "Out of a clear blue sky, Jim Michener asked me if he could dedicate his book to me! This was the first, and surely the last book ever dedicated to me. So it was, that when the book was published, it had my picture on the back cover along with Sam Thompson and Jim."

James A. Michener is the Democratic candidate for Congressman from the eighth district. Welsh stated, "Jim feels that this country has been unusually good to him and that he owes a great debt to it. It is my feeling that he has a fighting chance to come through in this campaign,

and he seems to be making such a fight. He has my backing 100%".

Welsh has many friends in high places. Among the hundreds are Richardson Dilworth, Senator Joseph Clark, former Governor George Leader, and former Governor George H. Earle. He had the pleasure of meeting the late President Roosevelt several times, as well as former President Turman. He has received many letters and commendation from the great and the near great.

At this time, **control** of the Democratic party has been vested from the hands of John Welsh, but the **leadership** will always be in his hands. He feels that the persons now in control are "not competent, not adequate, not at all forward looking." He further says that "their activities are not in the best interest of either the county or the party."

Welsh, who has worked for the party night and day all his adult life is convinced that "a small group of discontents have seized control". He decries the fact that these malcontents are out for their own selfish purposes and knows "they must get me out of the way."

Welsh says, "I will not be kicked out, but will run for Chairman of the Democratic Party in June and will certainly be elected."

John Welsh is a proven fighter! When things were slim he slugged it out alone. Many times he supplied funds from his own pocket. "I have been mistreated and so has the party, and we will return the reigns of the party to competent and trustworthy hands. The gang now in control cannot last. They will soon be gone and no one will mourn their departure. They are taking the party downhill. When our position has been vindicated, we will push for the election of our splendid ticket and victory in November."

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The National Agriculture College was founded in 1897.

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Public opinion's always in advance of the Law.

— John Galsworthy

THE FAMILY ALBUM



THE LATE Dr. Carmon Ross, superintendent of the Doylestown Borough School, always thought that football was "too rough" for high school students to participate in, until 1925 when he decided to approve the sport. The first inter-school game with Lansdale High, 36 years ago was won by Lansdale and Dr. Ross became an avid fan after that game.

How many faces on this "No. 1 Doylestown High School team" can you remember? If you don't know, here they are: Bottom Row, left to right: Benny Bestler, Walt Smith, "Blake" Hennessy, Ed Slaughter and Neal Smith. Second Row from bottom, left to right: Stan Hellerman, "Doon" Hennessy, Max Carter, "Butch" Pearce, Connie McEntee, Jim Tucker and Harry Hoxworth. Third Row from bottom, left to right: George "Steve" Brodie, Cy Hoffman, Don Weisel, Cliff Ruos, Harry Cates, Joe Hohdefelder, Bill Polk and football's first coach, Athletic Director Bill Wolfe. (Photo courtesy of "Spike" Woolsey and Russ Thomas.)

Dateline Harrisburg

The City of Easton was named for the Northamptonshire estate (Easton-Weston) of Lord Pomfret, father-in-law of William Penn's son, Thomas, and founder of Easton. . . . The little Pennsylvania Dutch village of Bird-in-Hand, Lancaster County, got its name from a hotel-tavern sign that pictured a bird and bore the inscription, "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush." . . . America's first singing society was established in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania in 1742.

Truth often suffers more by the heat of its defenders, than from the arguments of its opposers.

— William Penn
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Owlsburg

Owlsburg was an old settlement in southwestern Bedminster Township. This place was popular among old-time politicians and it enjoyed considerable notoriety

in mid-eighteenth century days. Tradition says the name was applied to the place because of the wisdom of the inhabitants. Whether specially wise to the wiles of the politicians who resorted there is not stated. — "Place Names in Bucks County"

Rattlesnake

Within sight of Durham village and a few hundred yards below it in Durham Creek valley stand

two or three houses, all that are left of a once populous mining village called Rattlesnake. The houses in the busy days when the Durham Iron Works were running full blast were owned or rented by workers in Rattlesnake Hill mines near by. Of the Durham hills Rattlesnake is nearest the Delaware, the vein of ore starting about a mile west of the river.—"Place Names in Bucks County"

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Left to right in the picture: Bruce N. Singer, Assistant Director, Bucks County Park Board; Herman Silverman, President of Sylvan Pools, Doylestown who has the pool contract; Hal H. Clark, member of the Park Board, and President of the Delaware Valley Protective Association; Commissioner Boyer, Anthony J. Galdi of the Galdi Construction Company, William Rever.

The entire Mill Creek Valley Park including Silver Lake is expected one day to contain 1,500 acres. The swimming pool section of the park is converting a dump and eye sore into a beautiful park for the most congested area of Bucks County.

RACING MOTORS

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parent serious injuries but very badly shaken up. His car, if not a total wreck, will need extremely costly repairs. The "ramrod" Porsche that hit him is finished. But the big thing is that one of the area's best drivers, NORM COOK, might be out of competition for the rest of the season.

An interesting sidelight to this weekend was the job that the BUCKINGHAM SPORTS CAR CLUB did in the timing and scoring booth. Under the direction of chief timer, JOE LANE, this club's crew of 18 members provided the needed manpower for one of the races toughest jobs. Long known as a predominantly rally group, the BUCKINGHAM club proved its versatility by handling the scoring chores commendably. In fact, they very well might have paved the way for more club participation in the racing field.

My aging publisher is beginning to pull out his hair trying to figure out where he is going to continue this column if I decide "to take a look around." So . . . I'd better sign off now before I put a Doylestown barber out of business. . . . See you next month. . . .

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the Friday night basic arithmetic of 2 plus 1 equals a lousy Martini . . . as any free-loading house guest will tell you. The servants never did come to live in the servants quarters but the in-laws did, and that's as good a reason as any for getting out.

But why do they come on, the new ones? I can only ask you to leave this garden. Go in any direction out of this County, turn your back on it. And when the pain becomes too great, turn around and come home. The transients have left their mark, certainly; we are not what we once were. Much has changed, is changing. But for all that has become too cute and too precious; there remains a hundred back roads unspoiled, unexplored leading to the dream that is every man's: a place in the sun, and a place under foot that he can call his own.

Some are not ready and some would play God and some believe that money alone can buy a dream.

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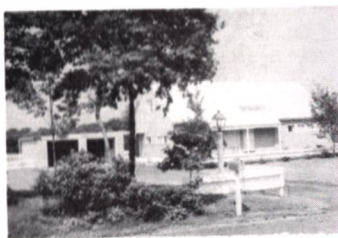
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